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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 08, 2008 9:48 AM  
**To:** Spencer; Kari L (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Fairbanks Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc.

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**From:** NeighborWorks Grants Announcement [mailto:NWGrantsAnnouncement@nw.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 08, 2008 6:53 AM  
**Subject:** Fairbanks Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc.

Fairbanks Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc., a member of the national NeighborWorks® network, is receiving \$245,000 in flexible first round grant funds from NeighborWorks® America – providing a much-needed boost in support of their affordable housing and community development activities. Overall, NeighborWorks® organizations in Alaska will receive \$445,000 in NeighborWorks® America grants this year. Working together, NeighborWorks® America and NeighborWorks® organizations throughout Alaska will be responsible for leveraging \$16.4 million reinvested in the community to create more economic development and affordable housing opportunities for Alaska citizens.

In FY 2008, NeighborWorks® America (also known as the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation) will provide more than \$76 million in grants to its national network of more than 230 community-based nonprofit organizations to create homeownership for lower-income families, produce and manage affordable, high-quality rental properties, stem the tide of foreclosures that threaten neighborhoods and local economies, and revitalize and strengthen communities. Additionally, NeighborWorks® America will provide more than \$167 million in National Foreclosure Mitigation Counseling Program grants to HUD-approved housing counseling intermediaries and state housing finance agencies through a special appropriation of funds provided through the FY 2008 Consolidated Appropriations Act.

"For every one dollar of NeighborWorks® grants, we help leverage \$37 in investment for America's communities, resulting in a direct investment of nearly \$4 billion in distressed communities in fiscal year 2007, primarily from the private sector. As stewards of taxpayer dollars, NeighborWorks® ensures our investments are working in ways that truly make a difference," said NeighborWorks® America CEO Ken Wade. "We thank Congress and our other private, philanthropic and public funders who make our work to expand affordable housing opportunities, strengthen communities and stem foreclosures possible. Although no one organization or sector can resolve the foreclosure problem alone, NeighborWorks® America is making a significant contribution to this effort."

Established by Congress in 1978 as the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation, NeighborWorks® America is the original community/public/private partnership model, with locally-driven, efficient community development and leverage of the public investment as its hallmarks. Over the past 30 years, NeighborWorks® America and the NeighborWorks® System have consistently replicated this successful model in over 4,450 communities in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico; in America's urban, suburban and rural communities.

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NeighborWorks® organizations receive grants and programmatic support from NeighborWorks® America, as well as training scholarships to the NeighborWorks® Training Institute.

Over the past five years the NeighborWorks® network has been able to:

- Invest nearly \$15 billion in America's urban, rural, and suburban communities;
- Provide homeownership counseling to more than 400,000 families;
- Assist more than 80,000 American families of modest means achieve their dream of home ownership;
- Develop, own and manage over 70,000 units of affordable, high quality multifamily housing;
- Rehabilitate more than 80,000 homes, using state-of-the-art methods, including green and healthy building techniques;
- Create the nation's largest force of certified homeownership education and foreclosure intervention counselors;
- Invest in rebuilding efforts in hurricane-affected communities across the Gulf Coast; and
- Mobilize hundreds of thousands of volunteers to revitalize communities.

For questions about NeighborWorks® America or these grants awards, please reply to this e-mail or call (202) 220-2443.

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 08, 2008 3:53 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Putting Alaska First - Jan-Feb 2008

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## AGIA Town Hall Meetings Set for February

Governor Palin's Gastline Team will hold Town Hall information meetings around the state. Come learn what the state is doing to advance the project. These meetings are not part of the public comment period under AGIA and are not public hearings. There are multiple meetings on the same date in different locations.

All meetings will be 5-6 p.m. except Anchorage, which will be 7-9 p.m., and Barrow, which will be 2-5 p.m. For more information contact Allison Iversen at 907-257-1304.

Monday, February 18  
 Palmer: The Palmer Depot

Tuesday, February 19  
 Anchorage: UAA Lucy Cuddy Hall  
 NOTE: Anchorage will be 7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, February 20  
 Sitka: Hangan Centennial Hall, Maksoutoff Room  
 Kotzebue: NWAB Assembly Chambers  
 McGrath: Cap'n Snow Center  
 Assembly Room

Thursday, February 21  
 Ketchikan: Cape Fox Lodge  
 Mountain Room  
 Nome: St. Joseph's Church  
 Bethel: UAF - Kuskokwim Campus  
 Yup'it Piciyariit Cultural Center

Friday, February 22  
 Juneau: Centennial Hall,  
 Hickel Room

Monday, February 25  
 Delta Junction: Community Center  
 Kenai: Kenai Peninsula College

Tuesday, February 26  
 Barrow: Inupiat Heritage Center  
 NOTE: Barrow will be 2-5 p.m.  
 Dillingham: Dillingham Middle School Gymnasium

Wednesday, February 27  
 Fairbanks: Carlson Center  
 Kodiak: High School Commons

Thursday, February 28  
 Valdez: Valdez Convention and  
 Civic Center, Ballroom 1

## New Toll-free Number for Governor's Office Available to All Alaska Residents

A new toll-free number will allow Alaska residents to contact the Governor's Office from anywhere in the state. 1-877-423-5514. Toll-free service extends the reach of the Governor's Office to all Alaskans, especially those in rural areas, said Kris Perry, director of the Governor's Anchorage Office. There is no charge to users of the number. This is the latest effort to find more efficient ways to serve the citizens of Alaska.

*'We have such great  
 is great,*

Governor Sarah Palin delivered her joint session of the Alaska Legislature, acknowledging geographical differences. She called


in a call for self-sufficiency, she said. earmarks, a theme echoed in Pre

The Governor also said that Alaska develop its natural resources for the Alaskans and the entire United States.

"An AGIA license gets the ball rolling and opens the door to innovative partnerships. We are reasonable partnerships that, at the end of the long-awaited gas line built," she said.

The governor focused on delivering in K-12 education. She also made for Alaskans to take personal responsibility for healthy choices.



 Director Doug Larsen

Working with wildlife over the year experienced some of the very best aggregated tightly on ridges in the coastal streams, to moose jousting memorable career.

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### Serving Alaska

About 2,000 Alaskans from more than 100 communities are serving on the 122 state boards and commissions, from the Alaska State Board of Public Accountancy to the Yukon River Panel. With 10-15 board terms expiring every month, recruitment is ongoing. All Alaskans are encouraged to apply or make a recommendation.

CLICK for more information on all of the boards and commissions and the application process.

### Denali Award Nominations Deadline

The nomination period for the second annual Governor's Peak Performance Denali Awards, which recognize outstanding employees and teams for excellence in service to the state, will close Feb. 15. Outstanding State of Alaska employees can be nominated in four categories – coworker recognition, excellence in customer service, exceptional performance and leadership.

Nominations, which must be made on the official nomination form for the appropriate award category, can be made by any employee, including self-nomination.

CLICK for more information about the nomination process.

### Administrative Order Authorizes Funds for Kivalina Storm Damage

Governor Sarah Palin signed an Administrative Order on Jan. 22 authorizing disaster relief funds for the city of Kivalina, which was damaged by a fall sea storm Sept. 12-14. A high surf and storm surge severely damaged more than half of a 1,600-foot seawall and caused erosion in the Northwest Arctic Borough's city. The Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development will coordinate with other state and federal agencies to propose long-term solutions to the ongoing erosion issues in the city and other affected coastal communities in the state.

CLICK to see Administrative Order 239.

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#### Q: What do you do for fun?

I enjoy hunting, hiking, fishing and camping. I also enjoy wood working and taking walks with my wife and two yellow labs. I have enjoyed being involved in Boy Scouting with my two sons and have great memories of kayaking in Seymour Canal, canoeing in Koolzahnoot Inlet, canoeing down the Yukon River and hiking over the famous Chilkoot Trail.

#### Q: What are among your most favorite memories?

I have many wonderful memories, including flying low over the arctic's snow-covered tundra in our ski-equipped Supercub, counting and capturing mountain goats in the rugged mountains of Southeast Alaska, radio-collaring and studying brown bears and wolves, stalking Dall sheep, mountain goats and caribou with my wife and sons, flying to remote rivers to fish for tunkar char, and boating along Southeast Alaska's rugged and beautiful coastline.

#### Q: What was your least favorite job and/or experience?

While working in Ketchikan during the mid '90s, I was faced with the problem of numerous black bears moving into the community in search of food after the closure of the local landfill. Although I was able to relocate more than 50 bears off Revilla Island with the help of Ketchikan Pulp Company helicopters and pilots, I also had to dispatch several bears. Though necessary, I found this very distasteful. As a result, I became a crusader for property and responsibly handling human refuse in and around communities.

#### Q: What do you do for Fish and Game?

I now serve as the director of the Division of Wildlife Conservation. My job involves overseeing the division's management and research activities, along with personnel and budgeting details. The division has just over 200 employees, and it's a pleasure and honor to work alongside some of the most hard working and dedicated people in state government.

#### Q: Why is predator control used in Alaska?

Wild game is an important source of meat for many Alaskans throughout the state. Not only is it less expensive than store-bought meat in many instances, but many people prefer the taste and the fact that it is organic and unaffected by additives. Recognizing this, the Alaska Legislature and the Board of Game created laws and regulations to manage some specifically identified populations of moose, caribou and deer for high levels of human consumptive use. In instances where these identified populations are at lower levels than available habitat can support and where predators are determined to be the cause of the low numbers, control efforts are implemented to reduce the numbers of predators. Temporarily reducing numbers of predators allow more moose, caribou and deer to survive and reproduce, thereby enabling populations to increase. Higher numbers of these species allow for higher levels of human harvests.

#### Q: What happens if predators are not controlled?

Predator and prey populations can and do self-regulate, and predator control efforts are often not necessary or desired. In some instances, however, both predators and prey may exist at low densities. Failing to reduce the numbers of predators in such instances can result in persistently low numbers. If these areas coincide with those where determinations have been made to provide for high levels of human consumptive use of moose, caribou or deer, failure to control predators will prevent this objective from being achieved. Currently, predator control is allowed on slightly less than 10 percent of Alaska's land mass.

#### Q: What is the difference between predator control and hunting?

Hunting is a common and long-accepted activity in Alaska and elsewhere in the world. It involves "fair chase," whereby hunters are expected to use stealth and woodsmanship to stalk and harvest animals, and animals are afforded a reasonable chance of avoiding detection. Predator control, on the other hand, does not involve "fair chase." The objective is to locate and kill targeted numbers of predators as quickly and humanely as possible. This can involve the use of techniques forbidden under hunting practices, such as shooting from aircraft or landing an aircraft and then shooting. Whereas hunting can be undertaken by any member of the public who purchases the required licenses and tags, predator control can only be undertaken by specially-permitted and monitored Alaskan residents.

#### Q: What other programs are critical to protecting Alaska wildlife?

The Division of Wildlife Conservation undertakes a number of programs as part of its management and conservation efforts. These include aerial and ground-based surveys to assess the status of predator and prey populations across the state, and research studies to learn about the movement patterns, reproductive capabilities, feeding habits, and habitat use and needs of various species and populations. Wildlife education programs and materials are important for providing information to interested members of the public, and administering and monitoring hunting seasons, hunters and harvests are important for ensuring long-term sustainability of wildlife populations. Additionally, enforcement efforts by the Department of Public Safety's Alaska Wildlife Troopers are critically important for ensuring adherence to established hunting seasons and bag limits.

#### Q: Where can Alaskans go to find information about wildlife and wildlife issues?

To find out more information about Alaska's wildlife, predator management and other division programs go to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game website at <http://www.adfg.state.ak.us/>



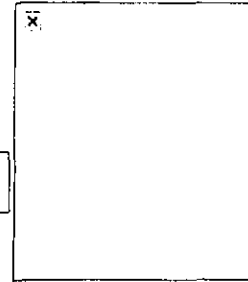
As part of a final management plan for the Tongass National Forest, Governor Sarah Palin recently joined Forest Service Chief Abigail Kimbell in signing a "shared vision statement," which establishes a plan for sustainability of the Tongass and Southeast Alaska's communities.

"This is a tremendous step toward having a sustainable, integrated timber industry," Governor Palin said. "Speaking now with one voice, we remain committed to responsible

development that protects the diversity and health of the forest's wildlife while sustaining jobs and subsistence for residents of Southeast Alaska."

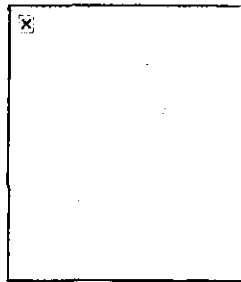
The 2008 Tongass National Forest Land Management Plan Amendment was ordered more than a year ago by a federal court that concluded the 1997 plan violated the law. The amended plan adds 90,000 acres to old growth reserves and protects 47,000 acres of land most vulnerable to development. The amended plan, along with the final environmental impact statement and the record of decision, will be published in the Feb. 15 Federal Register.

As the planning phase of the process is completed, the State and Forest Service will shift their collective efforts to Forest Plan implementation. The State will continue to play an important role in this process and will have staff working with the Forest Service to begin putting the new Forest Plan to work on the ground.



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[http://tongass-fpa.dnr.state.ak.us/FPA\\_ROD.htm](http://tongass-fpa.dnr.state.ak.us/FPA_ROD.htm)  
 VIEW PREAMBLE  
 Tongass Management Plan Preamble

This process will emphasize both the conservation and economic timber aspects of the plan, the two central strategies that must work together to have a successful outcome.



#### New Alaska License Plate Honors Statehood

The new Alaska Statehood Celebration license plate was recently unveiled at the statehood celebration kick-off at the Anchorage Museum of History and Art. The new license plate was designed by Sitka artist Dean Potter, the winner of a statewide logo contest.

To see his art unveiled, Potter was joined by Statehood Celebration supporters, including: First Gentleman Todd Palin and First Daughters Bristol, Willow and Piper Palin; Lt. Governor Sean Parnell; Statehood Celebration Co-chairs Kris Perry and Melissa Stepovich; former Lt. Governor Jack Coghill;

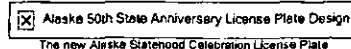
CLICK TO LISTEN  
 Governor Palin unveils the new Alaska license plate honoring 50 years of statehood.

Constitutional Convention Delegate Vic Fischer; Constitutional Convention Chief Clerk Katie Hurlley; Attorney General Fair Colberg; DMVA Commissioner General Craig Campbell; and DMV Director Whitney Brewster.

The new license plates will be the standard plates issued through 2009. Motorists who wish to change their current plates may purchase the new statehood anniversary plates for \$5 at the Division of Motor Vehicles.

"This is a great start to what will be a wonderful year leading up to the 50th anniversary of statehood," Governor Palin said. "I encourage all Alaskans to take part in the many celebrations that are planned around the state."

The Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission, established in 2005, has organized numerous events to commemorate Alaska's 50th anniversary of admission as the 49th state. The events will take place across Alaska on dates that coincide with historical events that led to statehood.



#### Dates to Celebrate

**May 28, 2008**

Celebration event in Fairbanks to commemorate the date Congress passed the Alaska Statehood Act.

**July 4, 2008**

Weekend event in Juneau marking the July 7 date the Act was signed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

**January 3, 2009**

Grand ball in Anchorage to celebrate the signing of the Declaration of Statehood.

Communities across the state are encouraged to participate.

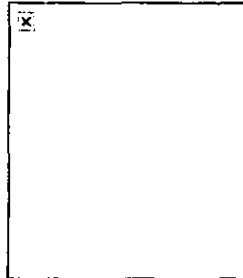
For more information, email [AK50@alaska.gov](mailto:AK50@alaska.gov) or call Colleen Sullivan-Leonard at 907-269-7450.

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Governor Sarah Palin and members of her staff, including Rural Advisor Rhonda McBride, recently met with Bethel leaders to discuss public safety and other issues facing the community. The Governor and Public Safety Commissioner Walt Monegan visited the Bethel Police Department and met with Alaska State Troopers to learn more about BPD, which needs to hire 11 officers. The Governor visited Bethel high school students during their lunch period.



At public radio station KYUK, Governor Palin took part in her first bilingual interview, conducted by veteran Yup'ik newsmen John Active. She said she was impressed with Active's seamless translation of her answers into Yup'ik. Among the topics of discussion: the rural energy crisis, the Governor's proposed alternative energy fund, municipal revenue sharing and meeting the needs of elders.

Governor Palin also met with regional Native leaders at a luncheon hosted by the Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation and the Association of Village Council Presidents.

Governor Sarah Palin traveled to Bethel on Thursday, January 10, to meet with community leaders and discuss public safety and other issues facing the community. Photo by Bethel Regional High School Yearbook Staff.

Labor Commissioner Click Bishop and First Gentleman Todd Palin also traveled to Bethel with the Governor. They visited Yuut Elitnaurviat, the region's first vocational training center, and toured the Yuut Yangungviat flight school.



☒ Visit the American Heart Association Web Site

**Healthy Hearts on Valentine's Day!**  
Make this and every Valentine's Day a reminder that eating healthy and physical activity lead to a long and healthy life with the ones you love. Learn more about how to take care of your heart at the American Heart Association's website.

Until next time,



Governor Sarah Palin

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 08, 2008 9:52 AM  
**To:** govpalin@alaska.gov  
**Subject:** Email concerning Oil Companies

Governor - FYI

**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [<mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 07, 2008 10:25 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Budget

Web mail from: Ms. Karen Biggs  
address: 4340 Seeley Circle Anchorage AK 99502

MESSAGE:  
Hello, Governor Palin!

I just wanted to say that I appreciate you standing tough with the big oil companies. It is refreshing and encouraging to see a public official such as yourself not bowing to the big corporations. Thank you for standing strong for political/professional ethics!

As well, thank you for handling the "Hottest Governor in the US" publicity with professional grace. Your professional people-savvy demeanor is a great example to others of dignity and self-respect. Thank you for being a good role model for girls/women.

I also support your stance in wanting to manage the surplus oil revenues wisely for the future. I am all for money management decisions that will bless future generations of Alaskans -- we are blessed today, but we should be good stewards of these funds for our children. Please push to invest/save as much as possible for future years.

Thank you for all your hard work!!!

Karen Biggs,  
Anchorage, AK

karen\_biggs@hotmail.com

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
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**Sent:** Friday, February 08, 2008 9:26 AM  
**To:** govpalin@alaska.gov  
**Subject:** Email

Governor - FYI

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [<mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us>]  
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2008 10:38 PM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Bill Thompson  
address: po box 505 Keani AK 99611  
907-283-1558

MESSAGE:

Thank you for being color blind! I am weary of race status being descisive criteria for many aspects of our lives. I thought we fought for civil rights in the 60's for ALL people? It seems that some still want special treatment, recognition, position, and compensation by virtue of race! Will it never end?

Thanks so much for doing a great job. I appreciate your strength and diplomacy in taking a stand. It is refreshing to have a leader that will stand up and say it straight and not double talk.

I hope you are enjoying your life as well. Don't let the stresses of your job wear you down. Know that there are many folks that support and encourage you.

Regards,  
Bill Thompson

rwtjr@gci.net

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**From:** Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 08, 2008 2:04 PM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** RE: Friday, Feb 8 first grade news

Governor, I'll pass that on to Diane, she'll be happy to hear that! We can make apple slices with peanut butter & raisins on top, if that sounds good. I'll add it on our House calendar. Thanks, Erika

Erika Fagerstrom  
Executive Residence Manager  
Governor's House  
State of Alaska, Office of the Governor  
716 Calhoun Avenue, Juneau, Alaska 99801  
Phone: 907-465-3500; Fax: 907-465-2031

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Friday, February 08, 2008 12:54 PM  
**To:** Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Friday, Feb 8 first grade news

Erika- pls tell Diane they loved the cake - piper said it was sooooo good! And I'll remember to bring in healthy snacks for her valentines day party.

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**From:** Patty Winegar <winegarp@jsd.k12.ak.us>  
**To:** Todd Palin <FEK9WNR@yahoo.com>; Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Fri Feb 08 12:39:14 2008  
**Subject:** Friday, Feb 8 first grade news

Dear Parents,

We've had an eventful week.

On Monday we made three totems that tell the story of "The Box of Daylight".

We kept two and gave Mr. F's class one.

On Tuesday we played the Spin for Beans game. It's a game where children get practice grouping by tens.

On Wednesday we celebrated 100 Days of School. We read 156 books, wrote 100 words and had a number hunt with numbers to 100. At the end of the day we

blew out 100 candles on a delicious cake. Thank you Piper for bringing the cake!

On Thursday we had our potlatch. We wore our paper blankets and headdresses.

Edgar told the story of raven bringing the light and presented the totem to the Ravens. Then they gave us medallions that they had made. Then we feasted on smoked salmon and herring eggs. Thank you Madison for bringing the herring eggs.

On Friday each child made a bag to collect Valentines in. You will find a list of friends and teachers on the reverse side of this note. Please include a Valentine for each child in our room.

I will also attach a note asking for donations for our Valentine Party. We do

have plenty of juice already so don't worry about that.

We are planning to keep the same schedule for conferences that we had in the fall. Please let me know if you would rather meet at a different day or time.

If you weren't here in the fall let me know the day and time works best for you.

I will try to accommodate you.

February 14th - Valentine's Day Party - 2:45-3:45 February 16th - Elizabeth Peratrovich Day  
February 26 & 27 - Parent Conferences (No student attendance) February 28 & 29 - Staff In-service (No student attendance)

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 08, 2008 1:21 PM  
**To:** Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)  
**Cc:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Request to meet w/GOV - Mayor Whitaker (FBKS)  
**Importance:** High

The Governor will be traveling to Fairbanks this next week 02.15.08 for several events. Mayor Whitaker's office just called asking for 30 minutes with the Governor in regards to: The Mayor is in full support of the gas line and would like direction from the Governor on how to proceed further with this.

The Governor is asking for your comments on this request and how this should be addressed (before we address the request). Thank you, Janice

**Byers, Gail Y (LAW)**

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**From:** Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Friday, February 08, 2008 2:20 PM

**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)

**Subject:** Fwd: Good news for you

fyi- an earlier email from sean re: Privi

Note: forwarded message attached.

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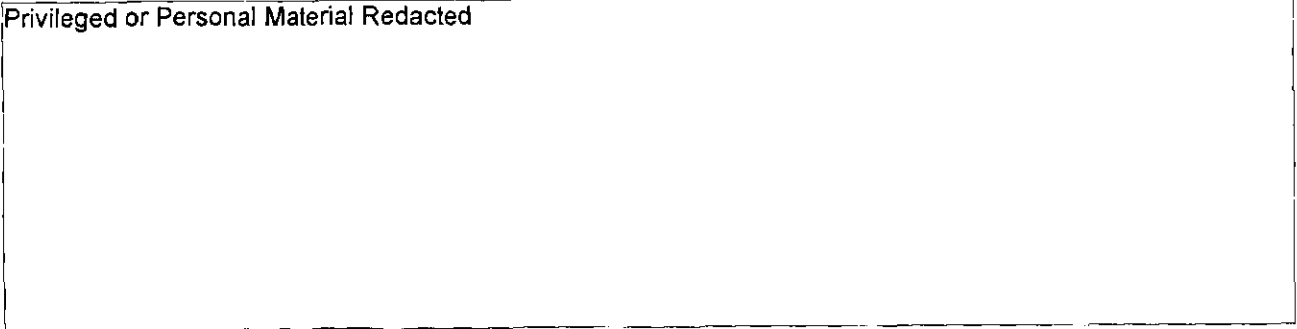
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**Sent:** Friday, February 01, 2008 5:18 PM  
**To:** ExternalEmailgsp  
**Subject:** Good news for you

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Let me know if you want to talk about it.

Sean

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**From:** Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]

**Sent:** Friday, February 08, 2008 2:40 PM

**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

**Subject:** Homer Airport shooting and non-prosecution

Dear Governor Palin,

Last week you enquired about the Homer shooting. The Criminal Division established a panel to review the issue and recommended that there be no State of Alaska prosecution of the officers involved in the airport shooting. I thought I would have a written report confirming that before it was announced but now I see that Public Safety has been informed by the criminal division and in turn is advising the Homer police. This is to let you know the message is apparently out. Talis

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 09, 2008 4:07 PM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG)  
**Subject:** Re: Commissioner Lloyd request - Sat., 02.08.08

I did get his email, haven't got to answer back nor rearrange other things to try to get to Fish mtg... I don't I can get there. And no need for assistance at AOC banquet, but appreciate the offer. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

**From:** "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Sat, 09 Feb 2008 15:24:13

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Subject:** Commissioner Lloyd request - Sat., 02.08.08

Governor - Good thing you and girls got out last night. The wind and snow are terrible today.

Commissioner Lloyd had emailed a request earlier today to see if you would like to do a stop by at the Board of Fish meeting next door to the Millennium - apparently they are there until approx. 5:00 p.m. The Commissioner also asked if you would like any assistance at the banquet tonight.

You may not even be in ANC until after 5:00 p.m. tonight but I told him I would check.  
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**Sent:** Saturday, February 09, 2008 12:16 PM  
**To:** 'Shelley Hughes'; Palin; Sarah H (GOV)  
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**Subject:** RE: Follow-up: CHC Request for Amended Budget

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**To:** govpalin@gov.state.ak.us; 'Michael Tibbles'  
**Cc:** Sharon Leighow; Meghan N Stapleton  
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Governor Palin and Mike,

Do you want to do one general press release with all of the appointments requiring legislative confirmation or separate press releases for some of the more high profile boards such as Judicial Council?

I can start passing on any information for some of the confirmed appointments to the press office if press release (s) are going out.

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**Sent:** Sunday, February 10, 2008 10:18 AM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** Today's schedule

I wanted to let you know I am planning on attending today's meeting. I know you / all can do great without me but I really support you and CP needs to see the group unified.

I spent 2 1/2 hours with PA. Will update the team today.

Also I have rescheduled with Sharon. I am taking off tomorrow and will spend a quality day with her.

Tell Todd we are cheering for him. Thanks for letting me be part of you team. God bless. Tom

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**To:** Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Von Scheben; Leo (DOT)  
**Subject:** Valley highways

Leo- let's make sure adequate funding for continued progress on Palmer-Wasilla Hwy is in this ye's budgets- any amendments have to be in by Tuesday. The road, as you know, is deadly and so overcrowded.

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**To:** Sarah Palin

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Joining with you to pursue quality, cost-effective primary care access for all Alaskans,

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Browse APCA's helpful online advocacy information and resources.

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**From:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TEIRWIN]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 11:51 PM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** Re: Birthday

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----- Original Message -----

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
**To:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR)  
**Sent:** Mon Feb 11 21:51:20 2008  
**Subject:** Re: Birthday

Thank you! And if CP is ticked that I told anyone I met with them, and they intend to punish us for it, then they've got strange tactics. My meeting schedule is a public document, for one. Also, haven't they heard us say all along that we weren't doing anything in secret with AGIA?

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**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:21 PM  
**To:** Frank Bailey; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
**Subject:** Fw: Confidential: KABATA

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Date:** Tue, 12 Feb 2008 07:17:11

**To:** "Talis Colberg" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

**Subject:** Confidential: KABATA

Talis- I can't open this, but I'll ask Randy about it tomorrow. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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**From:** "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Mon, 11 Feb 2008 14:54:10

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Cc:** "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

**Subject:** FW: KABATA

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To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW); Tillery, Craig J (LAW); Cantor, James E  
(LAW)

Cc: Stark, Jeffrey P (LAW)

Subject: KABATA

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Thanks.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 9:45 PM  
**To:** Colberg; Talis J (LAW)  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: KABATA

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**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 7:44 PM  
**To:** Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)  
**Subject:** Re: Happy Birthday!!!!

Thanks so much! I'm having a ball - thanks to you and some of the most amazing Alaskans I've ever met. We're thankful you've chosen public service at this time in your life. Thank you!

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)  
**To:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Mon Feb 11 19:04:30 2008  
**Subject:** Happy Birthday!!!!

Governor,

I didn't get an opportunity to say Happy Birthday to you yesterday, in person. However, I know today is your actual birthday and I just hope you are able to have a bit of fun. So HAPPY BIRTHDAY and thank you so very much for sharing your life with Alaskans, and for being such a wonderful Governor who puts Alaska first!

God bless you!

Marty

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 7:40 PM  
**To:** Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)  
**Subject:** Re: Confidential: CP mtg/KTUU

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Privileged or Personal Material: Thanks!

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**From:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR)  
**To:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)  
**Sent:** Mon Feb 11 18:52:59 2008  
**Subject:** Re: Confidential: CP mtg/KTUU

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Tom

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**To:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)  
**Sent:** Mon Feb 11 17:58:23 2008  
**Subject:** Confidential: CP mtg/KTUU

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**From:** Balash, Joseph R (GOV)  
**To:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)  
**Cc:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
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**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)  
**Subject:** Re: Confidential: CP mtg/KTUU

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**To:** Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)  
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**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 5:57 PM  
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Fw: CP mtg/KTUU

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**To:** Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)  
**Cc:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
**Sent:** Mon Feb 11 17:53:32 2008  
**Subject:** Re: CP mtg/KTUU

Nope- no one is to discourage open dialogue with the public on when and where I meet with CP. After getting beat up for how long now bc the public is led to believe we aren't willing to hear them out- I will not hide any discussions with CP. And there was never any discussion re: not acknowledging the mtg. In fact, had I gone forward with the original plan of a Monday mtg in the Capitol, everyone would have known and I'd have even allowed the press to be there if they requested.

I did not talk about anything that CP hasn't already talked about publicly.

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**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 2:37 PM  
**To:** Frye; Ivy J (DOA)  
**Subject:** Re: Happy Birthday!

Thank you!!!

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Ivy Frye  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin  
**Sent:** Feb 11, 2008 6:33 AM  
**Subject:** Happy Birthday!

Hope you have a terrific day.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2008 2:36 PM  
To: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Re: HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Thank you Lt. Governor!

-----Original Message-----

From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)  
To: Governor Sarah Palin  
Sent: Feb 11, 2008 7:01 AM  
Subject: HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Hope you have a good birthday today! You've almost caught up with my aged state....:)

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**From:** Cayce, Sunny C (GOV) [sunny.cayce@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 2:20 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Cc:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV); Castle; Lillian K (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Rural/Native

At Mike Nizich's request, I am forwarding this to Lynne. I guess Mike Black at Commerce is working on it.

Sunny

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 1:52 PM  
**To:** Cayce, Sunny C (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Rural/Native

Sunny,

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Donna

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**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 12:41 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
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Web mail from: Kimberly Kevwitch

address: 4594 West Mineral Drive #428 Littleton CO 80128  
303-669-9077

MESSAGE:

Hello! I was wondering what the state of Alaska was doing in regards with helping Shishmaref thus far and what Alaska is planning to help with in the future. Please let me know asap, I would really appreciate it. Thanks Kim

kkevwitch@g.com



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**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 2:07 PM  
**To:** Davis; Susan M (GOV)  
**Subject:** Thank you!

For the warm wishes - I thank you Susan! Have a great day.

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**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 1:44 PM  
**To:** streamjet1@outdrs.net  
**Subject:** RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 1:33 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Other

Web mail from: Mr. Leonard Caskey  
address: 3927 Victory Dr. SW Port Orchard WA 98367  
360-674-2675

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

You don't know how good it feels to hear a Governor or any high official speak positive of the citizens rights. Especialy the 2nd Amendment.

Washington used to be that way, but not any more. We have been overrun with bleeding hearts and our officials feel the only rights we have are the ones they give us.

My next perminent home will be in Alaska. You can take that to the bank.

I am impressed with your attitude, the knowledge and common sense you show.

Thank You.

Leonard Caskey

streamjet1@outdrs.net

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 12:46 PM  
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: please approve

Looks good thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

**From:** "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Mon, 11 Feb 2008 12:38:54

**To:** Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

**Subject:** please approve

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

No: 08-0XX

Governor Palin Signs 'Safe Haven' Bill Into Law

Bill allows parents to surrender newborns without prosecution

February 11, 2008, Juneau, Alaska - Governor Sarah Palin signed House Bill 29 into law today. The "Safe Haven for Infants Act" passed the State House in May and passed the Senate on January 19.

The bill allows a parent to safely surrender a newborn child without the threat of prosecution, as long as there is no evidence the infant has been physically injured.

Without penalty, a parent may leave the infant in the physical custody of a peace officer, physician or hospital employee, or a volunteer or employee of a fire station or emergency medical service.

"All children deserve to begin their lives in a loving, protective family," Governor Palin said. "When that fails, it is our job as a state to make sure that children are protected. I thank the bill's sponsor, Representative Gabrielle LeDoux, for her hard work and persistence in bringing this bill forward."

Under HB 29, if a parent wishes to relinquish his or her parental rights and release the infant for adoption, the person receiving the infant must contact the Department of Health and Social Service.

The Department of Health and Social Services will begin educating emergency responders and the public about the law and how an infant may be safely surrendered.

"Unfortunately, abandonment of infants has occurred in Alaska," HSS Commissioner Karleen Jackson said. "It is our hope that the passage of the 'Safe Haven' act has ended that

forever."

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Contact: Susan Morgan, (907) 269-4996, Cell (907) 632-6107  
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**From:** Von Scheben, Leo (DOT) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=LVON\_SCHEBEN]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:38 AM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** Re: Valley highways

I will get something to you monday afternoon. My staff working on it as we speak. Leo

----- Original Message -----

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
**To:** Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV); Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)  
**Sent:** Sun Feb 10 09:22:55 2008  
**Subject:** Valley highways

Leo- let's make sure adequate funding for continued progress on Palmer-Wasilla Hwy is in this ye's budgets- any amendments have to be in by Tuesday. The road, as you know, is deadly and so overcrowded.

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:01 AM  
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Savland; Monica L (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Fish\_and\_Game

-----Original Message-----

**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 10, 2008 10:35 AM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Fish\_and\_Game

Web mail from: Mr. Charlie Ess

address: North Pacific Bureau Chief National Fisherman magazine AK 99674

MESSAGE:

Hi,

Just a quick note for either Sarah or Cora. I'm jamming a few news highlights from 2007 into our Yearbook issue which publishes in April and wanted to run 75 to 100 words about Sarah's/your first year in office. The big question? Did she/you find time to fish Bristol Bay again this summer? And for how long?

Cheers, and good luck in the year ahead, Charlie Ess

essays@alaska.net



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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:00 AM  
**To:** Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Von Scheben; Leo (DOT)  
**Cc:** Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Message from Commissioner Von Scheben

I just need specifically the palmer-wasilla hwy funding answers, hopefully he can get me that for the mayors and assembly and both city councils. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

**From:** "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Mon, 11 Feb 2008 08:58:13

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Cc:** "Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

**Subject:** Message from Commissioner Von Scheben

Governor:

Commissioner Von Scheben called and asked me to let you know he is working on getting you the information about funding and roads in the Mat-Su. I believe he will be sending it to Karen Rehfeld and the Chief-of-Staff as well.

Randy

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 9:52 AM  
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 10, 2008 7:41 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Elections

Web mail from: Mr. John Stobaugh  
address: 2907 Elm Trail Round Rock TX 78681  
5122441987

MESSAGE:

I'm hoping that John McCain is getting in touch with you to convince you to join the ticket!!

A disabled combat veteran and a fan...

john\_stobaugh@sbcglobal.net

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 9:40 AM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Cc:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 9:43 AM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Other

Web mail from: Mr. Thomas Llanos  
address: 3061 Lois Drive Apt. 608 Anchorage AK 99517  
907.279.4244

MESSAGE:

Dear Mrs. Palin,

I saw this website on ADN.COM. Where they want you for Vice President of the United States of America.

Granted.

I like you and your administration. I voted for you.

But don't leave us.

If you do decide to go. Who are we going to rely on?

I hope you think about your future here.

I just wanted to say that.

Respectfully,

Thomas G. Llanos

thomasllanos@hotmail.com

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 1:43 PM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Happy Birthday

Janice,  
I thought this was a threat, but I think he is saying she doesn't want to catch up with him because he is 85. Please let me know if you think different and I will send it to Tom.  
Donna

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**From:** jay [mailto:jaynolfi@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 1:23 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Happy Birthday

**Governor Sarah, I wish you a happy, healthy and safe Birthday!**

**Careful, you don't want to catch up to me! (85)**

Jay Nolfi

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**From:** Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:12 AM

**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)

**Subject:** Fwd: Sched

did u received?

Note: forwarded message attached.

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**From:** Leschper, Beth (GOV) [beth.leschper@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 9:48 AM  
**To:** ExternalEmailgsp; Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** Monday Safe Haven Bill Signing

Governor:

A hard copy is in a folder with Janice.  
Our leg office has also looked over this draft.

Beth

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**Safe Haven Bill Signing**  
**February 11, 2008**  
**Governor Palin**

**Rep. Gabriel LeDoux**  
**Comm Karleen Jackson**  
**Comm Annette Kreitzer**  
**Tammy Sandoval (OCS director)**  
**Mike Lesmann (OCS legislative liaison)**  
**Jan Rutherfordale (Atty-Child Protection Section)**

**House Bill 29 "Safe Haven for Infants Act"**

- Good afternoon. All children deserve to begin their lives in a loving, protective family. Children should have the opportunity to succeed as they grow in a safe and supportive home. But when that fails, it's our job as a state is to make sure that children are protected.
- In Alaska, we have seen cases where infants have been abandoned or fatally injured. While it is rare, we must be proactive and prepared so that even one infant's life can be saved.
- I am so pleased to sign this bill today to protect Alaska's children. HB 29 — Alaska's Safe Haven for Infants Act — will save the lives of newborns as it allows a parent to remain anonymous and provides legal protection to the parent who surrenders an infant to the appropriate person.
- We are committed to preserving life and this bill will protect an infant when its parents cannot handle the responsibility, and act inappropriately out of fear of prosecution or exposure.

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- I thank the bill's sponsor, Rep. Gabrielle LeDoux of Kodiak, for her hard work and persistence in bringing this bill forward. I'd like to also thank all of the legislators and Department of Health and Social Services staff who have worked on this important and compassionate bill.
- I'm pleased to introduce Health and Social Services Commissioner Karleen Jackson who will further address this bill.

**(sign bill while Commissioner Jackson is speaking)**

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 7:43 AM  
**To:** Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Von Scheben; Leo (DOT)  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Valley highways

But not Palmer-Wasilla Hwy?

Leo- what are funding plans there - as I'm being asked everywhere I go in the Valley, including both Mayors seeking answers as I met with them this weekend.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Karen Rehfeld  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin  
**To:** Leo Von Scheben  
**Cc:** Mike Tibbles  
**Sent:** Feb 11, 2008 7:39 AM  
**Subject:** RE: Valley highways

Governor - we have \$11.5 million GF for Glenn Highway Repairs; \$15 million GF for Trunk Road - Phase I; and \$10 million fed for Trunk Road in Mat-Su -For projects in the borough, including the Palmer State Office Building, water/sewer, etc... there is another \$21.5 million GF - total Mat-Su areawide is \$65.3 million - Karen

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Karen J. Rehfeld, Director  
Office of Management & Budget  
465-3568

karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov

-----Original Message-----

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 10, 2008 9:23 AM  
**To:** Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV); Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)  
**Subject:** Valley highways

Leo- let's make sure adequate funding for continued progress on  
Palmer-Wasilla Hwy is in this ye's budgets- any amendments have to be in  
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2008 7:28 AM  
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Board action January 26, 2008

Let's do the 39. If Dick and others need to hear that from me, I'm happy to let them know that's where we're going. Thanks!

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 11 Feb 2008 07:25:21

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: RE: Board action January 26, 2008

That pretty much sums it up. \$39k final pmt. I sent numerous emails last night on this and suggested that Balash and I speak on it this morning. Also I told Dick that I want to speak with him. I plan to call Tom as well.

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Private we have our scheduled conf call at 1pm today so will work hard for a reasonable conclusion.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Mon 2/11/2008 7:10 AM

To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Re: Board action January 26, 2008

I must be missing something.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Sun, 10 Feb 2008 18:53:18

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: Board action January 26, 2008

I spoke w/Kristan at length. I apologize, but didn't realize that the total was \$39k as final payment to producers to cover pick-ups that were missed by N. Lights, etc. It was initially reported as \$39k to each and so I had the rough amount of \$200k stuck in my head (that I mentioned below). Just wanted to clarify.

I've sent a few emails to Mike and Joe keeping them in the loop. Which was a good thing since Joe knew nothing about the meeting, although he has been copied on the emails.

Kris

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Sent: Sun 2/10/2008 1:12 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: RE: Board action January 26, 2008

I'm going to call Kristan right now and talk with her. We have a conference call to go over a laundry list of issues tomorrow - Kristan will be on that call - and this certainly will be a point of discussion.

I am not forwarding Kristan's email to you and I (I was not prepared for either of these that she sent) to anyone else, but I do intend to forward the email she sent Tina Otto to Tibbles and Balash so that they are in the loop. Actually it has been odd and one of the reasons I requested Monday's conference call is that we've not heard much from the CC Board - except updates to specific items of interest - since Dick put a stop to their motion to distribute \$200k to the farmers. Well here's their response.

I told Mike I would provide him and Balash an update after tomorrow's conference call.

Kris

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From: Kristan Cole [mailto:kccole@mtaonline.net <mailto:kccole@mtaonline.net> ]  
Sent: Sun 2/10/2008 12:25 PM  
To: ExternalEmailgsp; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Board action January 26, 2008

Governor, I have not copied anyone on this email except Kris. I have walked a tight rope for a month now regarding this issue. I was torn between loyalty to you and the administration, and doing what was right. I was hoping that as we clarified our decision that we were not using any of the funds appropriated by the legislature that we would be allowed to move forward. That hasn't happened.

Tom Irwin asked me this summer if you had to choose between loyalty and doing what was right what would you do? I said I would do what was right. Today I believe I am being both loyal to you and doing what is right.

I had a heavy heart at church this morning over this entire issue. I believe I would be disloyal if I did not share with you my heart and if I perish, I perish. See my email below that I sent today. Kristan

From: Kristan Cole [mailto:kccole@mtaonline.net <mailto:kccole@mtaonline.net> ]

Sent: Sunday, February 10, 2008 12:24 PM

To: 'Tina'

Cc: 'Irwin, Tom E (DNR)'; 'pglaw@alaska.net'; 'Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)';  
'joe\_austerman@cded.state.ak.us'; Ben Vanderweele; John Schirack; Kristan Cole; Ralph  
Carney; Ray DePriest

Subject: Board action January 26, 2008

Tina, I believe it is my responsibility as the Chairman of the Creamery Corporation to email you regarding the board action taken January 26, 2008. The board believes it is in the best interest of the corporation, the shareholder, and the state of Alaska to carry out the motion that was approved by the board and approved by corporate legal counsel on January 26th. This is not a decision this board took lightly, but considered with clarity, with all of the facts before us, and with the review and approval of our corporate counsel.

We respectfully request something in writing from you explaining to us why the board, whom the shareholder appointed and put in place, cannot be allowed to carry out the business decision(s) we believe are truly right and in the best interest of the corporation and the shareholder. The board feels strongly that if they are not allowed to make business decisions as the bylaws provide for, then there is no further need for this board.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristan Cole, Chair  
Creamery Corporation

febvre, Richard A (DNR) [mailto:richard.lefebvre@alaska.gov  
<mailto:richard.lefebvre@alaska.gov> ]

Sent: Friday, February 08, 2008 2:38 PM

To: Kristan Cole; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); tina.otto@alaska.gov; tom.irwin@alaska.gov;  
Simons, Leta L (DNR); joe.balash@alaska.gov; Austerman, Joseph M (CED)

Subject: checks from mining companies-Dairy Farmers

The three checks from the mining folks were received by the Stockgrower folks. Don't know if the money has been further distributed.

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**From:** Frye, Ivy J (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIE]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 6:34 AM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** Happy Birthday!

Hope you have a terrific day.

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]

**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 11:14 AM

**To:** Sarah Palin

**Subject:** Email - Thank you

Governor Sarah,

Hello! Just a quick note from all of us at ChangePoint. Your sincere delivery of such an inspirational (and fun) message was received with roaring cheers from a packed house at our RefreshHer event on Friday. Gwen Adams, our main speaker for the event, and many others, asked that I let you know we appreciate very much that you took the time to encourage and spur on our ladies.

We routinely pray for you, and we thank God for giving you to us as our Governor. You're a blessing!

Kelly

**Kelly Clifton**

Scheduler

Office of Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 1:28 PM  
**To:** Sarah Palin  
**Subject:** Email that you asked be forwarded

Governor - you asked that this email be forwarded to you. If you'd like I can ask that they list the issues so that you are not giving them direct access to your account. Thanks, Janice

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
Sent: Sunday, February 10, 2008 7:09 PM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Labor

Web mail from: Mr. Victor Knott  
address: 14114 Rocky Road Anchorage AK 99516  
(907) 349-7228

MESSAGE:

Hello! My name is Victor Knott , a personel friend of the Governor's . I had met with her breifly on Saturday at the start of the Tesoro Iron Dog race. What a cold and buisy day for all. She had asked that I drop an e mail and have it forewarded to her. This is in regards to Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

Would you please foreward this to her , so I may have the opertunity to discuss these issues with her.

Thank You

28 year state employee and a Palin suporter.  
Victor Knott  
phone # 349-7228 or cell # 529-5996

vandh@gci.net

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 1:41 PM  
**To:** govpalin@alaska.gov  
**Subject:** Email for Track

-----Original Message-----

**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 08, 2008 5:29 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Other

Web mail from: Mr. Robb Myers  
address: 600 D St Fairbanks AK 99701

MESSAGE:  
Gov. Palin,

So it showed up in the news here that Track is stationed at Wainwright. I thought that he might need a church. If he is interested, I suggest Door of Hope, where I go. It is similar to Juneau Christian Center, has large young adult and military populations, and offers Saturday night services if he wants to avoid early mornings.

Robb

robbmyers@hotmail.com

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**From:** Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 8:58 AM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Cc:** Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Message from Commissioner Von Scheben

Governor:

Commissioner Von Scheben called and asked me to let you know he is working on getting you the information about funding and roads in the Mat-Su. I believe he will be sending it to Karen Rehfeld and the Chief-of-Staff as well.

Randy

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:34 AM  
**To:** Sarah Palin  
**Subject:** FW: Happy Birthday

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:26 AM  
**To:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Happy Birthday

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**From:** Davis, Susan M (GOV)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:23 AM  
**To:** Palin, Sarah H (GOV)  
**Subject:** Happy Birthday

Dear Governor Palin,

Happy Birthday !

Best regards,  
Susie

Susan Davis  
Kenai Peninsula Office of the Governor  
907-283-2918

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**From:** Crome, Cora J (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=CJCROME]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 5:06 PM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** FW: Cook Inlet BOF mtg -- thus far

Governor,  
The Upper Cook Inlet Board of Fish meeting is going fairly well so far, with only slight adjustments being made. The biggest issues are yet to come, and should be addressed tomorrow and the next day. See the e-mail below from Denby giving details so far. The Mat-Su folks should be happy about declaring Susitna River sockeye salmon a stock of concern. The eastside setnetters should be happy about extending the fishery until August 15<sup>th</sup>, which will give them additional opportunity when runs are late. I will provide a more complete summary for you when the meeting is over.  
Cora

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**From:** Lloyd, Denby S (DFG)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 4:01 PM  
**To:** Crome, Cora J (GOV)  
**Cc:** Nizich, Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Cook Inlet BOF mtg -- thus far

Cora:

We are in the meeting right now, and it will continue at least into or through tomorrow. Highlights thus far include:

1. Prohibition of personal use fishing for sockeye in the lower Kenai River (which occurs in July) from boats powered by 2-stroke engines (other than direct fuel injection engines); this parallels action recently approved by the Governor and DNR for the middle Kenai River.
2. Susitna River sockeye salmon have been declared a stock of yield concern, in answer to requests and proposals from the Mat-Su region.
3. Extension of the Upper Cook Inlet eastside set gill net fishery from a previous closure date of August 10 to a new closure date of August 15, with only two regular (12-hour) open periods allowed during the Aug 11-15 time period.
4. Liberalized sport fishing retention for early Kenai River Chinook salmon (for fish 20-28 inches only).

We have not gotten to the meat of the central Cook Inlet drift gill net fishery, nor to the escapement goal vs. closed windows dilemma for the eastside set netters.

Let me know if you need more, DL.

Denby S. Lloyd  
Commissioner  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
P.O. Box 115526  
Juneau, AK 99811-5526  
907-465-4719

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 1:27 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Cc:** Savland; Monica L (GOV); Crome; Cora J (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Fish\_and\_Game

Sharon/Cora - Will you be taking care of this one directly? Thanks, Janice

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:01 AM  
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV); Savland, Monica L (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Fish\_and\_Game

-----Original Message-----

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**Sent:** Sunday, February 10, 2008 10:35 AM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Fish\_and\_Game

Web mail from: Mr. Charlie Ess

address: North Pacific Bureau Chief National Fisherman magazine AK 99674

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:32 AM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Fagerstrom; Erika (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Computer

Governor - I had emailed Erika on this request this weekend. Erika was hoping that they would be able to do this today. Janice

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:23 AM  
**To:** Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)  
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Computer

Would you have a computer installed in Todd's office at the house? Don't know if the murkowski's got work done with only one computer between their two offices, but we're busy enough where both offices need their own computers so we're not trying to share one desk top. Thanks

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**From:** Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:45 AM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Computer

There's a computer in Todd's office, so when Janice requested another- I assumed that you wanted one in the office/room by the kitchenette.

There's currently a request for one to be installed in your old office. Do you want one in what *used to be your office* or the 2nd floor Family room?

Thanks,  
Erika

Erika Fagerstrom  
Executive Residence Manager  
Governor's House  
State of Alaska, Office of the Governor  
716 Calhoun Avenue, Juneau, Alaska 99801  
Phone: 907-465-3500; Fax: 907-465-2031

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:23 AM  
**To:** Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)  
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Computer

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**From:** PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 9:26 PM  
**To:** Sarah Palin  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Traction at Criminal Justice Working Group

The Criminal Justice Working Group (CJWG) met for most of the day today and is a group that I co-chair with Chief Justice Dana Fabe. Commissioners Moneghan, Schmidt, and Jackson all participate and Talis sends his designee. Justice Carpeneti typically leads the Court System side of things. And, APD Chief Rob Heun is active as is Randy Ruaro of your office and Jay Pullins of mine. We have about 10 more agency people that show up, as well.

CJWG has met a number of times and we have two working subcommittees; one to address **recidivism issues** chaired by Joe Schmidt and one addressing **efficiency issues** across the criminal justice system, chaired by Stephanie Cole/Christine Johnson of the Court System.

I asked each of the subcommittees to define a goal to achieve and then strategies to achieve it. The recidivism committee is focused on **reducing the number of arrests per capita** (will get to a hard number) and will likely focus on strategies at the younger aged end of the spectrum (juveniles to 24) since that's where our repeat offenders tend to be.

The efficiency subcommittee is focused on improving efficiency and effectiveness measures from the time of arrest by law enforcement, through the pre-trial phase, trial phase, sentencing phase, and incarceration to re-entry. We're **likely to move toward fixing the discovery process in the pretrial phase** and using "time to disposition data" to measure results.

It just feels like we're getting some traction. I'm proud of your commissioners and staff. This is a good group that not only looks at the big policy issues but they also address the day to day "burning issues" and resolve them cooperatively. For example, Law brought an issue to the table two months ago where they complained the Kenai judges were making them draft judgments and orders rather than the court doing it. The chief justice got that changed. Today, a similar issue arose with Law complaining about the court system requiring them to write orders in certain juvenile proceedings, Justice Carpeneti said he would take care of that as well. Just wanted you to know you've got a working, functioning criminal justice group out there.

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**Subject:** Two upcoming functions....please let others know

Open to the public. The next two Native Issues information.

Alaska Native Brotherhood Camp 2 and Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska proudly announce the next Native Issues Forum that will bring together national and state level authorities that will sit on a mini-panel from the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium board. The forum is open to the public and is scheduled for February 13<sup>th</sup>; Wednesday at 11:45 AM at the ANB Hall located at 320 West Willoughby Avenue. A delicious lunch style buffet is available at a reasonable cost or you are welcome to bring your own lunch. **Menu entrée items: sweet 'n sour chicken, mongolian beef, fried rice/steamed rice, stir fry vegetables, fry bread w/butter, cake w/strawberry filling. Sisterhood stew, salads: crab salad, sockeye macaroni salad, herring egg salad and fruit salad.**

And, please calendar February 18<sup>th</sup>; Monday. We are proud to announce that on February 18<sup>th</sup> Senator Ted Stevens will be our featured speaker from the United States Senate. The forum will begin approximately at 11:45 AM and conclude at 1:00 PM. **Menu entrée items: grilled salmon, roast beef/gravy, mashed potatoes, steamed rice, buttered corn, fry bread w/butter, mixed berries w/bananas. Sockeye chowder, salads: shrimp salad, cesar's salad, jell-o salad and fruit salad.** Although this is a holiday we are accommodating Senator Stevens schedule and hope you can make plans on attending.

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Steaks Dinner

Governor,  
The steaks are in the freezer wrapped in white butcher paper. Would you like to have a few grilled for tonight?  
Diane thought of making sugar-free jello in the shape of hearts for Piper's class- we'll plan on that unless we hear otherwise.  
Thanks,  
Erika

***Erika Fagerstrom***  
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**Subject:** Message from Commissioner Von Scheben

Governor:

Commissioner Von Scheben called and asked me to let you know he is working on getting you the information about funding and roads in the Mat-Su. I believe he will be sending it to Karen Rehfeld and the Chief-of-Staff as well.

Randy

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**To:** Sarah Palin  
**Subject:** RE: Re: Commissioner Lloyd request - Sat., 02.08.08

Yes - I did receive this one.

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**From:** Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 10:11 AM  
**To:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Re: Commissioner Lloyd request - Sat., 02.08.08

did u get this one?

Note: forwarded message attached.

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**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 7:02 AM

**To:** Sarah Palin

**Subject:** HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Hope you have a good birthday today! You've almost caught up with my aged state....:)

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**Subject:** Copy of letter attached

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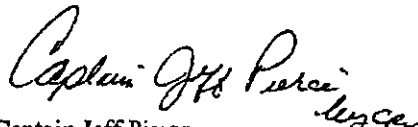
Honorable Governor Sarah Palin  
State of Alaska  
P.O. Box 110001  
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Dear Governor Palin,

We believe protecting all waters adjacent to the Arctic Ocean is of paramount importance. In this effort we are working together with the members of Alaska Marine Pilots as we fully support their position in this matter.

We request your support in protecting our northern waters by endorsing the proposed regulation that would extend the compulsory pilot requirement to include the Arctic.

Respectfully Yours;

  
Captain Jeff Pierce  
President  
Southwest Alaska Pilots Association

cc: Emil Notti, Commissioner of Commerce  
Lynne Smith, Special Assistant to the Governor  
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**Subject:** FW: D.C. v. Heller, No. 07-290---Brief of Texas and 30 other States in Support of Respondent

Dear Governor Palin,

Attached is a copy of the amicus brief filed by Texas today. In the attachment you can see that in addition to Alaska twenty-nine other states joined Texas. Talis

-----Original Message-----

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**Cc:** Ted Cruz

**Subject:** D.C. v. Heller, No. 07-290---Brief of Texas and 30 other States in Support of Respondent

Attached is an e-copy of the State of Texas and 30 other States' Brief in Support of Respondent, which is being filed in the Supreme Court today in District of Columbia v. Heller, Cause No. 07-290. A hard copy of the brief will be sent to you shortly.

We are very glad to have such a strong coalition of States joining this brief. You have our thanks for your timely consideration of the brief,

and our appreciation for joining in this important effort.

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*Petitioners,*

v.

DICK ANTHONY HELLER,  
*Respondent.*

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On Writ of Certiorari to the  
United States Court of Appeals for the  
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BRIEF OF THE STATES OF TEXAS, ALABAMA, ALASKA,  
ARKANSAS, COLORADO, FLORIDA, GEORGIA, IDAHO,  
INDIANA, KANSAS, KENTUCKY, LOUISIANA, MICHIGAN,  
MINNESOTA, MISSISSIPPI, MISSOURI, MONTANA, NEBRASKA,  
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**QUESTION PRESENTED**

Whether the following provisions—D.C. Code §§7-2502.02(a)(4), 22-4504(a), and 7-2507.02—violate the Second Amendment rights of individuals who are not affiliated with any state-regulated militia, but who wish to keep handguns and other firearms for private use in their homes.

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#### INTEREST OF *AMICI CURIAE*

*Amici*, the State of Texas and 30 other States, have an interest in this case because of its potential impact on their citizens' constitutional rights. The individual right to keep and bear arms is protected by the United States Constitution and the constitutions of forty-four States.<sup>1</sup> Given the significance of this fundamental right, the States have a substantial interest in ensuring that the Second Amendment is accorded its proper scope.

The *amici* States believe that the court of appeals's decision—that the Second Amendment protects an individual right to keep and bear arms—is correct and fully consistent with the Framers' intent. Moreover, the District of Columbia's categorical gun ban is markedly out of step with the judgment of the legislatures of the fifty States, all of which protect the right of private citizens to own handguns.

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1. *Amici* States have attached an Appendix outlining the relevant state constitutional and statutory provisions concerning firearms.

### SUMMARY OF THE ARGUMENT

Described by Justice Joseph Story as “the palladium of the liberties of the republic,” the right to keep and bear arms enjoys prominent placement at the outset of the Bill of Rights. Yet the central issue in this case is whether that constitutional provision retains any vitality whatsoever.

The District of Columbia’s position, as the court of appeals explained, is that “the Second Amendment is a dead letter.” Pet. App. 13a. That ahistorical contention—supported by modern-day advocates who disagree with the policy judgments embodied in that Amendment—runs contrary to both the text and the original understanding of our Constitution.

Because the Second Amendment’s text recognizes a “right,” not a “power,” and guarantees that right to “the people” and not “the States,” it necessarily secures an individual right to keep and bear arms. The First, Fourth, and Ninth Amendments likewise protect the “rights” of “the people,” and none dispute that those Amendments protect individual rights. The Tenth Amendment, in turn, expressly distinguishes between “the States” and “the people,” demonstrating that the Framers knew well the difference. And, this Court has made clear, “the people” is a term of art, with the same meaning throughout the Bill of Rights.

The District’s contrary position is based largely upon a misconstruction of the Amendment’s prefatory clause. Although the preamble states that keeping a well-regulated militia is one purpose of the right, nothing in that statement contradicts the Amendment’s operative

language. The District's interpretation of that prefatory language as limiting the Amendment only to members of organized state militias runs contrary to the understanding—and statutory definition—at the time of the Founding that all able-bodied males armed with their own private weapons comprised the "Militia."

The court of appeals's ruling is also consistent with this Court's decision in *United States v. Miller*, 307 U.S. 174 (1939). That brief and famously opaque opinion can be read to support multiple interpretations, but the better reading is that the right to keep and bear arms is an individual right. Indeed, *Miller* makes sense only if the Court believed that the Second Amendment protects individual rights; otherwise, virtually all of the *Miller* Court's analysis would be rendered superfluous.

That view is further buttressed by an unbroken line of commentary from the Framers to nineteenth-century scholars to the bulk of modern scholarship. Indeed, the unmistakable trend among constitutional scholars—even those who might otherwise disfavor private firearms possession—is toward recognition that the Second Amendment protects an individual right, as its plain text suggests.

Reasonable minds can differ about the Second Amendment's scope—that is, about which government regulations are permissible. And subsequent cases may well present difficult questions about where precisely to draw that line. Those vexing issues are not presented in this case, however, and are appropriately left to another day.

This case instead presents two straightforward questions, each of which will determine whether the Second Amendment has any modern relevance. *First*, as a threshold matter, does the Amendment protect any individual rights at all. And *second*, do the challenged District ordinances—which collectively prohibit the possession of any functioning firearm in one's own home—run afoul of that right.

On more difficult questions involving the Amendment's application—such as registration requirements and comprehensive regulation—the many *amici* States may well part ways. But the two questions in this case are, in the eyes of *amici*, not difficult. If the answer to either question were in the negative, then the Second Amendment's protections would be rendered illusory.

For the same reason, the *amici* States believe that the Department of Justice's position that this case should be vacated and remanded is indefensible. Under any standard, including that advocated by the Department, a total prohibition on the possession of any functioning firearm cannot be sustained. The District's ordinances facially prohibit Mr. Heller from ever possessing a handgun in his own home or from possessing an operable long gun.

An individual right that can be altogether abrogated is no right at all. *Amici* States are sovereign governmental bodies with strong interests in maintaining extant regulations barring, for example, convicted felons from possessing firearms. But none of the 31 *amici* States believes that its citizens' constitutional rights should be effectively erased from the Bill of Rights. Because, under any standard, a total prohibition on the possession of

firearms cannot be reconciled with the individual right to keep and bear arms, the court of appeals's judgment should be affirmed.

#### ARGUMENT

##### **I. THE COURT OF APPEALS CORRECTLY HELD THAT THE SECOND AMENDMENT GUARANTEES AN INDIVIDUAL RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS.**

The court of appeals's holding that the Second Amendment protects an individual right to keep and bear arms, Pet. App. 44a, gives effect to the Amendment's plain text and reflects the structure of the Bill of Rights. It is consistent with the views of the Framers, the great weight of scholarly commentary, and this Court's precedent.

##### **A. The Second Amendment's Text Guarantees an Individual Right to Keep and Bear Arms.**

The Second Amendment provides, "[a] well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed." U.S. CONST. amend. II. The Court has long emphasized the importance of the Constitution's specific text: "[T]he enlightened patriots who framed our Constitution, and the people who adopted it, must be understood to have employed words in their natural sense, and to have intended what they said." *Pollock v. Farmers' Loan & Trust Co.*, 158 U.S. 601, 618-19 (1895) (internal quotation omitted).

**1. The "right of the people" is an individual right.**

The Second Amendment's operative words protect the right of "the people," not the "militia" and not the "States," to keep and bear arms. The meaning to be given to the words "the people" as used in the Second Amendment phrase "the right of the people" should be the same meaning attributed to that same phrase in the contemporaneously submitted and ratified First and Fourth Amendments. Pet. App. 18a; *United States v. Emerson*, 270 F.3d 203, 227 (5th Cir. 2001). And all three amendments describe personal, individual rights.

In *United States v. Verdugo-Urquidez*, the Court concluded that the words "the people" bear special significance in the context of the Bill of Rights:

*"[T]he people' seems to have been a term of art employed in select parts of the Constitution. . . . The Second Amendment protects 'the right of the people to keep and bear Arms,' and the Ninth and Tenth Amendments provide that certain rights and powers are retained by and reserved to 'the people.' See also U.S. Const. Amdt. 1 . . . ; Art. I, § 2, cl. 1 . . . . While this textual exegesis is by no means conclusive, it suggests that 'the people' protected by the Fourth Amendment, and by the First and Second Amendments, and to whom rights and powers are reserved in the Ninth and Tenth Amendments, refers to a class of persons who are part of a national*



community or who have otherwise developed sufficient connection with this country to be considered part of that community." 494 U.S. 259, 265 (1990) (emphasis added).

The Court has thus made clear that the "term of art" "the people" has the same meaning in the First, Second, Fourth, Ninth, and Tenth Amendments. And it is beyond peradventure that the right of "the people" in the First and Fourth Amendments is an individual, personal right rather than a "collective" right or a right protected only in connection with service to the government. *See, e.g., Thornhill v. Alabama*, 310 U.S. 88, 95 (1940) ("The freedom of speech . . . which [is] secured by the First Amendment against abridgment by the United States, [is] among the fundamental personal rights and liberties which are secured to all persons by the Fourteenth Amendment against abridgment by a state."); *Minnesota v. Carter*, 525 U.S. 83, 88 (1998) (holding that the Fourth Amendment is a personal right that must be invoked by an individual).

The District's assertion that the Second Amendment's right of "the people" merely ensures a collective right "to prevent Congress, using its powers under the Militia Clauses, from disarming state militias," Petitioners' Br. 35, is fundamentally inconsistent with the rest of the Bill of Rights. If the phrase "the people" is interpreted consistently—as the Court has instructed—the District's construction of the phrase results in an implausible framework for our constitutional rights. For example, the First Amendment preserves "the right of the people peaceably to assemble." U.S. CONST. amend. I. The District's construction implies that no individual could sue in court for an abridgment of his or her right to

assemble because that right is reserved only to "the people" acting collectively. Likewise, the Fourth Amendment preserves "the right of the people" to be secure from unreasonable searches and seizures. U.S. CONST. amend. IV. The District's construction implies that no individual has a right enforceable in court to be free from unreasonable search and seizure, because only "the people" as a collective may enforce such rights. That, of course, is not the law.

Alternatively, if the District's "collective" construction of "the people" is somehow to be cabined only to the Second Amendment, the Court must conclude that when Congress sent the Bill of Rights to the States, Congress first listed four individual rights (in the First Amendment), then created a State's "right" (in the Second Amendment), and then reverted to a litany of individual rights (in Amendments Three through Eight). The Court must further conclude that, while Congress used "the people" to refer to individual rights in the First, Fourth, and Ninth Amendments, Congress used "the people" to mean "state governments" in the Second Amendment. Finally, for the Court to find that Congress used "the people" in the Second Amendment to mean "the States," it would have to somehow reconcile that with the Tenth Amendment's language, where Congress explicitly distinguished "the people" from "the States," reserving powers "to the States respectively, or to the people."

Moreover, the concept of a collective "right" or a State's "right" is contrary to the Constitution's structure and language; in the Hohfeldian taxonomy, States have powers, not rights. Rights are reserved to individuals; as Mill explained, "[t]o have a right . . . is . . . to have something which society ought to defend me in the

possession of." JOHN STUART MILL, UTILITARIANISM 80 (Longman, Green, Longman, Roberts, and Green 1864) (1861).

Put simply, the words "the right of the people" cannot fairly be read to mean a collective power of the Militia. Rather, the Second Amendment's text means what it says: the individual right of the people to keep and bear arms cannot be infringed.

**2. The District misinterprets the meaning of "keep" and "bear Arms."**

The District's interpretation of the Second Amendment necessarily, and mistakenly, requires that the words "bear Arms" have only a military connotation, and that the words "keep" and "bear" arms in the Second Amendment be construed together as a unitary phrase relating only to maintaining arms for military service. See Petitioners' Br. 12-17. This construction of the Amendment is not supported by its text or history.

The first problem with the District's interpretation of "keep and bear Arms" is that it effectively ignores the word "keep." *Id.* Indeed, the District suggests that "keep" has no independent meaning, and was inserted merely to bolster the militia's ability to bear arms. *Id.*, at 16-17. But courts cannot ignore words or phrases in the Constitution. "In expounding the Constitution of the United States, every word must have its due force, and appropriate meaning; for it is evident from the whole instrument, that no word was unnecessarily used, or needlessly added." *Richfield Oil Corp. v. State Bd. of Equalization*, 329 U.S. 69, 77-78 (1946) (internal quotation marks omitted). And to "keep" arms is to possess or own arms, as is

demonstrated by the contemporary dictionary definition of "keep":

"1. To hold; to retain in one's power or possession; not to lose or part with; as, to keep a house or a farm; to keep any thing in the memory, mind or heart; 2. To have in custody for security or preservation."

WEBSTER'S DICTIONARY (1828); *see also* SAMUEL JOHNSON, A DICTIONARY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE (4th ed. 1770).

The Court should give effect, as did the court of appeals, to each word of the Amendment. Pet. App. 27a ("'[K]eep' is a straightforward term that implies ownership or possession of a functioning weapon by an individual for private use.").

The District's assertion that "bear Arms" refers only to militia service is likewise misguided. Although this phrase may be used to describe the carrying or wearing of arms by a soldier or member of the militia, it is not used exclusively to refer to the military. Indeed, the Framers understood "bearing" arms to include the carrying of weapons generally—as may be seen directly in a bill drafted by Thomas Jefferson and proposed to the Virginia Legislature by James Madison (the author of the Second Amendment) on October 31, 1785. Madison's bill would have imposed penalties upon one who violated hunting laws if he were to "*bear* a gun out of his [the violator's] inclosed ground, unless whilst performing military duty." 2 THE PAPERS OF THOMAS JEFFERSON, 443-44 (J.P. Boyd ed., 1950) (emphasis added). In fact, as Judge Kleinfeld noted in his dissenting opinion in *Silveira*, "the primary meaning of 'bear' is 'to carry,' as when we arrive at our

host's home 'bearing gifts' and arrive at the airport 'bearing burdens.'" *Silveira v. Lockyer*, 328 F.3d 567, 572-73 (9th Cir. 2003) (Kleinfeld, J., dissenting) (footnote omitted).

This common-sense view of the phrase "bear Arms" is also reflected in Justice Ginsburg's dissenting opinion, joined by Chief Justice Rehnquist and Justices Scalia and Souter, in *Muscarello v. United States*, 524 U.S. 125, 143 (1998):

"Surely a most familiar meaning [of carrying a firearm] is, as the Constitution's Second Amendment ('keep and *bear* Arms') (emphasis added) and Black's Law Dictionary, at 214, indicate: 'wear, bear, or carry . . . upon the person or in the clothing or in a pocket, for the purpose . . . of being armed and ready for offensive or defensive action in a case of conflict with another person.'"

Nothing in the Second Amendment's text limits the words "bear Arms" to an exclusively military connotation; instead it affords an individual right to "the people" to "wear, bear, or carry" arms, regardless of whether they are engaged in military activity connected with a state militia.

**3. The Second Amendment's introductory clause does not convert an individual right into a "collective" or "quasi-collective" right.**

The District's "quasi-collective right" position is driven largely by its conclusion that the Second Amendment's operative clause, conferring the right to

"keep and bear Arms," is defined and impliedly narrowed by the Amendment's introductory clause referencing a "well regulated Militia." Petitioners' Br. 12-18. But, although a preamble may inform, influence, or shape the operational clause, it cannot compel a result contrary to its meaning. See Eugene Volokh, *The Commonplace Second Amendment*, 73 N.Y.U. L. REV. 793, 807 (1998). And, in any event, the Second Amendment's preamble is entirely consistent with the individual right mandated by the operational clause.

To be sure, the introductory clause implies that a principal purpose of the right to bear arms is to promote the existence and effectiveness of a "well-regulated Militia." But nothing compels the conclusion that this is the Amendment's only purpose.

With respect to other rights recognized by the Constitution, the Court has already held that similar preambulatory purposes do not limit the effect of the clauses' operational language. For example, in *Eldred v. Ashcroft*, 537 U.S. 186 (2003), the Court addressed a similar proposed construction of the preambulatory language in the Copyright Clause, which reads "[T]he Congress shall have the power . . . [t]o promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Right to their respective Writings and Discoveries." U.S. CONST. art. I, §8, cl. 8. The Court concluded that Congress's power to secure exclusive rights to authors and inventors is not limited by the prefatory purpose to "promote the progress of science and useful arts." 537 U.S., at 210-211. Although promoting science and the arts may have been the Framers' chief purpose in conveying sweeping copyright powers to Congress, other purposes existed as well. *Id.*, at

212. If the Copyright Clause's preamble, *which expressly conditions* its operational language through use of the phrase "by securing," imposes no limitation on the Clause's scope, then neither does the Second Amendment's preamble, which is not so expressly limited. Volokh, *supra*, at 807-13.

And, even if the District were correct that the Second Amendment's prefatory clause defined the scope of the right conferred in the operational clause, the District's further conclusion—that the words "a well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State" means the Amendment was adopted for the sole purpose of ensuring the effectiveness of state militias—is erroneous. The Amendment's text and history contradict this narrow reading of "Militia."

The Framers' understanding of "Militia" is reflected in a question asked by George Mason, one of the Virginians who refused to sign the Constitution because of its lack of a Bill of Rights: "Who are the Militia? They consist now of the whole people." 3 J. ELLIOTT, *DEBATES IN THE GENERAL STATE CONVENTIONS* 425 (3d ed. 1937) (statement of George Mason, June 14, 1788). This understanding, contrary to the District's position, *see* Petitioners' Br. 18, is also reflected in the language of both the Virginia and North Carolina ratifying conventions—which spoke of "a well regulated militia composed of the body of the people." *RATIFICATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS OF SEVEN STATE CONVENTIONS* (1788), *reprinted in* 2 *DEBATE ON THE CONSTITUTION* 561, 568 (Bernard Bailyn ed., 1993). James Madison articulated the same view of the term "militia" in *Federalist* No. 46, arguing that Congress's power under the proposed Constitution "[t]o raise and support armies" (art. I, §8, cl.

12) posed no threat to liberty because any such army, if misused, "would be opposed [by] a militia amounting to near half a million of citizens with arms in their hands." THE FEDERALIST NO. 46, at 334 (James Madison) (Benjamin Wright ed., 1961).

The District's narrow interpretation of "Militia" to include only some select body of permanent soldiers is also belied by the provisions of the Militia Act, enacted by the Second Congress the year after the Second Amendment's ratification. The Militia Act expressly defined the militia as "each and every free able-bodied white male citizen of the respective states, resident therein, who is or shall be of the age of eighteen years, and under the age of forty-five years." Militia Act, ch. XXXIII, 1 Stat. 271, 271 (1792).<sup>2</sup> Thus, the "Militia" contemplated by the Framers was not limited to those enrolled in some type of state or local militia organization. Under statute and contemporary understanding, the militia was all able-bodied male citizens from eighteen to forty-five, whether they were organized into a state-sponsored fighting force or not. See *Silveira*, 328 F.3d at 578-80 (Kleinfeld, J., dissenting).

The Framers were understandably wary of standing armies and the powers of a potentially oppressive government. Therefore, the individual right to bear arms ensures a ready "Militia" consisting of each and every able-bodied male between the ages of eighteen to forty-five. The introductory clause, properly understood, confirms the primary benefit of the operational clause—a

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2. Indeed, the Militia Act not only permitted gun ownership by every able-bodied man, it *required* it—obliging by law each man to "provide himself with a good musket or firelock . . . or with a good rifle." Militia Act, 1 Stat., at 271 (emphasis added).



citizenry capable of defending its rights by force, when all other means have failed, against any future oppression.

**B. The Court's Precedent Supports the Principle That the Second Amendment Guarantees an Individual Right.**

The Court's decision in *Miller* buttresses the principle that the Second Amendment's text and history establish its protection of the rights of individuals to keep and bear arms. In *Miller*, the Court considered a Second Amendment challenge as applied to a sawed-off shotgun:

"In the absence of any evidence tending to show that possession or use of a 'shotgun having a barrel of less than eighteen inches in length' at this time has some reasonable relationship to the preservation or efficiency of a well regulated militia, we cannot say that the Second Amendment guarantees the right to keep and bear such an instrument. Certainly it is not within judicial notice that this weapon is any part of the ordinary military equipment or that its use could contribute to the common defense." 307 U.S., at 178.

*Miller* is less than a model of clarity, but a fair reading of that opinion confirms that the Second Amendment protects individual rights. If the Second Amendment protected only the right to bear arms in a militia, the Court could easily have disposed of the case merely by observing that Miller was not a member of any

state militia. Thus, with one sentence, the case could have been resolved.<sup>3</sup>

Instead, the Court based its ruling on the lack of judicial notice that a short-barreled shotgun, a weapon typically used by gangsters in the 1930s and associated with criminal activity, was the type of weapon that contributed to "the common defense." *Id.* The Court's decision implicitly acknowledged that the possession by individual Americans of weapons that could be part of the "ordinary military equipment" contributing to the common defense—as opposed to criminal activity—is protected by the Second Amendment.

The Court's conclusions in *Miller* also suggest an understanding that the Framers envisioned a militia composed of the entire people—possessed of their individually owned arms—as necessary for the protection of a free State. The Court expressly observed that, in the Framers' time, the militia "comprised all males physically capable of acting in concert for the common defense . . . . [O]rdinarily when called for service *these men were expected to appear bearing arms supplied by themselves* and of a kind in common use at the time." *Id.*, at 179 (emphasis added).

Later opinions of the Court also support the individual-right view, albeit in *dicta*. In *Johnson v. Eisentrager*, 339 U.S. 763 (1950), the Court rejected a claim that the Fifth Amendment's criminal-procedure protections applied to nonresident enemy aliens by

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3. Indeed, the United States raised the collective rights argument in its brief as its very first argument, Pet. App. 40a, and, notably, the Court declined to rule on that basis.

explaining that a contrary view would, *inter alia*, require the application of "companion civil-rights Amendments" in the Bill of Rights, including the Second Amendment. *Id.*, at 784.

In *Konigsberg v. State Bar of Cal.*, 366 U.S. 36 (1961), the Court, citing *Miller*, again equated the Second Amendment right with rights secured by the First Amendment. *Id.*, at 49 n.10. More recent cases have also assumed an individual right in *dicta* by listing the Second Amendment right among the personal rights composing the "liberty" that the Constitution's due-process provisions protect. See *Planned Parenthood of Se. Pa. v. Casey*, 505 U.S. 833, 847 (1992); *Moore v. City of East Cleveland*, 431 U.S. 494, 502 (1977) (plurality op.).

Likewise, in *Robertson v. Baldwin*, 165 U.S. 275, 281-82 (1897), the Court observed,

"The law is perfectly well settled that the first 10 amendments to the constitution, commonly known as the 'Bill of Rights,' were not intended to lay down any novel principles of government, but simply to embody certain guaranties and immunities which we had inherited from our English ancestors, and which had, from time immemorial, been subject to certain well-recognized exceptions, arising from the necessities of the case. . . . Thus, the freedom of speech and of the press (article 1) does not permit the publication of libels . . . [and] the right of the people to keep and bear arms (article 2) is not infringed by laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed weapons . . . ." (Emphasis added)

Repeatedly, the Court has described the Second Amendment, consistent with the analysis in *Miller*, as an individual right—like the others in the Bill of Rights and subject to similar restrictions.

**C. The Weight of Scholarly Commentary Also Supports the Conclusion That the Second Amendment Guarantees an Individual Right to Keep and Bear Arms.**

As Justice Thomas has written, “a growing body of scholarly commentary indicates that the ‘right to keep and bear arms’ is, as the Amendment’s text suggests, a personal right.”<sup>4</sup> The unmistakable trend among constitutional scholars is towards recognizing that the Second Amendment confers a personal, individual right. For example, although arguing for a narrow construction of the Amendment, Professor Laurence Tribe has squarely concluded that the Second Amendment provides a “right (admittedly of uncertain scope) on the part of individuals to possess and use firearms in the defense of themselves and their homes.” 1 LAURENCE H. TRIBE, *AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW* 902 n.221 (3d ed. 2000). Professors

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4. *Printz v. United States*, 521 U.S. 898, 938 n.2 (1997) (Thomas, J., concurring) (citing, *inter alia*, JOYCE L. MALCOLM, *TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS: THE ORIGINS OF AN ANGLO-AMERICAN RIGHT* 162 (1994); STEPHEN HALBROOK, *THAT EVERY MAN BE ARMED, THE EVOLUTION OF A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT* (1984); William Van Alstyne, *The Second Amendment and the Personal Right to Arms*, 43 DUKE L. J. 1236 (1994); Akhil R. Amar, *The Bill of Rights and the Fourteenth Amendment*, 101 YALE L.J. 1193 (1992); Sanford Levinson, *The Embarrassing Second Amendment*, 99 YALE L.J. 637 (1989)).

Sanford Levinson and Akhil Amar in large part agree.<sup>5</sup> Professor Nelson Lund maintains that the Amendment confers an individual right to keep and bear arms, and thereby helps to protect "the most fundamental individual right, the right of self-defense." Nelson Lund, *The Second Amendment, Political Liberty, and the Right to Self-Preservation*, 39 ALA. L. REV. 103, 130 (1987). Professor Joyce Lee Malcolm has found that the Amendment's historical lineage favors the interpretation that it guarantees an individual right to arms. See, generally, MALCOLM, *supra*.

The individual-rights view is now also the position of the United States. See U.S. Br. 10-19; Memorandum from John Ashcroft, Attorney General, to All United States Attorneys (Nov. 9, 2001), available at <http://www.usdoj.gov/osg/briefs/2001/0responses/2001-8780.resp.pdf> (discussing *United States v. Emerson*). Indeed, the Office of Legal Counsel has issued an exhaustive opinion for the Attorney General concluding that "[t]he Second Amendment secures a right of individuals generally, not a right of States or a right restricted to persons serving in militias." STEVEN G. BRADBURY ET AL., U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, MEMORANDUM OPINION FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL: WHETHER THE SECOND AMENDMENT SECURES INDIVIDUAL RIGHT 1 (2004), available at <http://www.usdoj.gov/olc/secondamendment2.pdf>.

Contemporaries of the first Congress and nineteenth-century constitutional scholars also agreed that the Second Amendment confers an individual right.

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5. See Amar, *supra*; Levinson, *supra*.

When St. George Tucker published his five-volume edition of Blackstone's Commentaries in 1803, he observed that "[w]herever standing armies are kept up, and the right of the people to keep and bear arms is, under any color or pretext whatsoever, prohibited, liberty, if not already annihilated, is on the brink of destruction." WILLIAM BLACKSTONE, 1 COMMENTARIES 300 (St. George Tucker ed., Augustus M. Kelley 1969) (1803). He further pointedly criticized the English Bill of Rights for limiting its guarantee of arms ownership to Protestants, while the American right was "without any qualification as to their condition or degree, as is the case in the British government." *Id.* at 143.

Thomas Cooley directly addressed the issue of the scope of the Amendment's guarantee: "It might be supposed from the phraseology of [the Second Amendment] that the right to keep and bear arms was only guaranteed to the militia; *but this would be an interpretation not warranted by the intent . . . .* [T]he meaning of the [amendment] undoubtedly is, that the people, from whom the militia must be taken, shall have the right to keep and bear arms; and they need no permission or regulation of law for the purpose." THOMAS M. COOLEY, THE GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA 270-72 (Rothman & Co. 1981) (1880) (emphasis added). Justice Joseph Story similarly concluded that the "right of the citizens to keep, and bear arms has justly been considered, as the palladium of the liberties of the republic; since it offers a strong moral check against the usurpation and arbitrary power of rulers; and will generally, even if these are successful in the first instance, enable the people to resist, and triumph over them." JOSEPH STORY, COMMENTARIES

ON THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES 708-09  
(Carolina Academic Press 1987) (1833).

These contemporary scholars understood that the Second Amendment guaranteed each American the right to "keep" and "bear" arms as the foundation of the militia that would provide security for a "free" State. If the people were disarmed there could be no militia (well-regulated or otherwise) as understood by the Framers.

**D. The Second Amendment's History  
Demonstrates That It Guarantees an  
Individual Right to Arms.**

The historical context of the Second Amendment also supports the court of appeals's conclusion that it guarantees an individual right to arms. When the Amendment was adopted, the drafters undoubtedly looked to the provisions in many of the state constitutions as models. Volokh, *supra*, at 814-21. At that time, almost half of the States with bills of rights included provisions recognizing that right. Nelson Lund, *The Past and Future of the Individual's Right to Arms*, 31 GA. L. REV. 1, 54 (1996).

The Framers were also guided by the evolution of individual rights in England. As the Court has stated, "[t]he historical necessities and events of the English constitutional experience . . . were familiar to" the Framers and should "inform our understanding of the purpose and meaning of constitutional provisions." *Loving v. United States*, 517 U.S. 748, 766 (1996).

The English Declaration of Rights of 1689 came approximately a century before our own. It provided that "the subjects which are protestants, may have arms for their defence suitable to their conditions, and as allowed

by law." 1 W. & M., 2d sess., c. 2, Dec. 16, 1689 (quoted in 5 THE FOUNDERS CONSTITUTION 210 (Philip B. Kurland & Ralph Lerner eds., 1987)). The right of the English Monarch's "subjects" to have arms is by its terms an individual one, and it was so understood by William Blackstone, who provided the standard reference work for Colonial and early American lawyers.

Blackstone explained that the right of "having" arms is among the five basic rights of every Englishman, which were essential to secure the "primary rights" of each individual. WILLIAM BLACKSTONE, 1 COMMENTARIES 136, 139 (Legal Classics Library 1983) (1765). Blackstone saw the right to bear arms as a natural right because it arose from the natural right of self-preservation and the right of "resistance . . . to the violence of oppression." *Id.*, at 139. Blackstone's conception of the individual right to bear arms as protection against oppression would have been particularly relevant to the Framers, who had themselves just taken part in a bloody struggle against the oppression of the English Crown.

Thus, the Framers' own experience informed their understanding of the "right of the people to keep and bear Arms," and the fundamental relationship of this right to "the security of a free State." The Framers recognized that the best security against an oppressive regime was a free citizenry capable of defending its rights. As Alexander Hamilton explained,

"if circumstances should at any time oblige the government to form an army of any magnitude that army can never be formidable to the liberties of the people while there is a large body of citizens, little, if at



all inferior to them in discipline and the use of arms, who stand ready to defend their own rights and those of their fellow-citizens." THE FEDERALIST NO. 29, at 229 (Alexander Hamilton) (Benjamin Wright ed., 1961).

The Second Amendment answered the potential threat of a standing army with the guarantee that individual citizens could not be disarmed. The Framers saw that individual right as an essential bulwark of the people's liberties. This Court should as well, and should affirm the judgment of the court of appeals.<sup>6</sup>

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6. Although the Court need not reach the issue of incorporation in this case, amici States submit that the right to keep and bear arms is fundamental and so is properly subject to incorporation. To be sure, early decisions of this Court cast doubt on Second Amendment incorporation, see *United States v. Cruikshank*, 92 U.S. 542, 553 (1875); *Presser v. Illinois*, 116 U.S. 252, 264-65 (1886), but those opinions predated the Court's broad-based incorporation of the Bill of Rights against the States. See *Duncan v. Louisiana*, 391 U.S. 145, 148 (1968). In the judgment of amici States, the right to keep and bear arms is "so rooted in the traditions and conscience of our people as to be ranked as fundamental." *Palko v. Connecticut*, 302 U.S. 319, 325 (1937) (citations and internal quotation marks omitted), overruled on other grounds, *Benton v. Maryland*, 395 U.S. 784 (1969). Authors of the Fourteenth Amendment concurred. See Van Alstyne, *supra* note 4, at 1252 (noting that in reporting the Fourteenth Amendment to the Senate, Senator Howard of Michigan described the right to keep and bear arms as among the Constitution's "great fundamental guarantees" (internal quotation marks omitted)).

*A fortiori* the Second Amendment applies to the District of Columbia. See *District of Columbia v. John R. Thompson Co.*, 346 U.S. 100, 109 (1953) (finding "no constitutional barrier to the delegation by Congress to the District of Columbia of full legislative power subject of course to constitutional limitations to which all lawmaking is subservient" (emphasis added)). The District's only

**II. THE COURT OF APPEALS CORRECTLY HELD THAT THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA'S FIREARMS REGULATIONS ARE UNCONSTITUTIONAL.**

This case concerns three ordinances that together effectively prohibit the private possession in one's home of any operative firearms. In an attempt to narrow the issues before the Court, the District tried to frame the question presented as concerning only its ordinance banning the private possession of handguns. Pet. i, 7 n.2.

Tellingly, the District urged that "broadening the question to address the effect of Section 7-2507.02 [the trigger-lock provision] would needlessly complicate the case." Pet. Reply 6.

The Court rejected that attempt, and instead reframed the question presented to consider the collective effect of *all three* challenged provisions of the D.C. Code, §§ 7-2502(a)(4), 22-4504(a), and 7-2507.02. *Dist. of Columbia v. Heller*, 128 S.Ct. 645 (2007) (mem.).

Because the District's citizens cannot selectively abide by portions of its firearms prohibitions, but rather must comply with *all* of those prohibitions or face criminal penalties,<sup>7</sup> evaluating whether these statutes are constitutionally valid necessarily involves consideration of how they act together to restrict the constitutional right to keep and bear arms. *Cf. Randall v. Sorrell*, 548 U.S. 230 (2006) (plurality op.) (concluding that a State's campaign

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argument to the contrary—that D.C. is not a State whose militia is the object of the Amendment—is premised on it erroneous theory that the Second Amendment protects only collective, not individual, rights.

7. See D.C. CODE §§ 7-2507.06; 22-4515.

contribution limits, taken together, unconstitutionally restricted a candidate's First Amendment rights); *Williams v. Rhodes*, 393 U.S. 23, 34 (1968) (concluding that "the totality of the Ohio restrictive laws taken as a whole impose[] a burden on voting and associational rights which we hold is an invidious discrimination, in violation of the Equal Protection Clause").

The D.C. Code provisions at issue operate together as a unitary statutory scheme. D.C. Code §7-2502.02(a)(4) prohibits the registration of a pistol not registered in the District prior to 1976. Section 22-4504 separately restricts the carrying of a pistol, and is challenged in this case to the extent it bans individuals from moving lawfully registered handguns within their own homes, Pet. App. 54a. Finally, §7-2507.02 provides in relevant part that a registered firearm must be kept "unloaded and disassembled or bound by a trigger lock or similar device."

Together, these provisions prohibit Mr. Heller from ever possessing, in his home, an operable firearm. In an attempt to temper the absolute nature of that bar, the District now contends that §7-2507.02 must be read to include an implied exception for self defense, even though the text of that provision contains not a word to that effect. Petitioners' Br. 56. Instead, the text is mandatory ("each registrant *shall* keep any firearm in his possession unloaded and disassembled or bound by a trigger lock or similar device") and on its face contains no such exception.<sup>8</sup>

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8. Petitioners expressly acknowledge that, absent the *ad hoc* exception that they would like to engraft onto the plain text—"the law would be unreasonable." Petitioners' Br. 56.

In making that argument, Petitioners point to no precedent supporting the notion that an individual must risk criminal prosecution under a statute categorically restricting his or her constitutional rights, in the hope that a court might subsequently alter the text to protect those rights in some limited circumstances. And *amici* States are aware of none.

Thus, the only fair reading of these ordinances' plain text is that together they operate as a sweeping prohibition on any effective exercise of the right to keep and bear arms in the District of Columbia.

**A. The Court of Appeals's Decision Should Be Affirmed Because Statutes Effectively Prohibiting Any Citizen From Keeping and Bearing "Arms" Are Unconstitutional.**

The court of appeals recognized that the individual right to keep and bear arms is not an absolute right immune from restriction. Pet. App. 51a. Rather, the court noted that the right to keep and bear arms, which pre-existed and was preserved by the Second Amendment, has traditionally been subject to "the sort of reasonable regulations contemplated by the drafters of the Second Amendment." *Id.* The court correctly concluded, however, that because the District's ordinances categorically prohibit the possession of functional firearms in private homes, they are unreasonable and unconstitutional.

**1. The D.C. Code provisions concern "Arms" protected under the Second Amendment.**

In evaluating the validity of the District's firearms prohibitions, the court of appeals adopted a two-part

test—drawn in part from this Court's opinion in *Miller*—that considered first whether the District's ordinances affected "Arms" protected under the Second Amendment. If the District's regulations affected only weapons that are not "Arms," they could not run afoul of the Amendment's protections. *See id.*, at 48a-51a, 53a-55a. If, on the other hand, the regulations in question did affect "Arms," the court would then move to the second part of the test: whether the regulations are "reasonable." *See id.*, at 51a-55a.

In determining whether the regulations affected "Arms" protected by the Second Amendment, the court of appeals followed the test set forth by this Court in *Miller*, under which a weapon is an "Arm[]" if it: (1) bears a "reasonable relationship to the preservation or efficiency of a well regulated militia;" and (2) is "of the kind in common use at the time." *Id.*, at 48-49a (quoting *Miller*, 307 U.S., at 178-79). The court properly concluded that the handguns and long guns subject to the District's prohibitions meet both prongs of the *Miller* test and are therefore protected under the Amendment. *Id.*, at 51a.

As the court explained, "[t]he modern handgun—and for that matter the rifle and long-barreled shotgun—is undoubtedly quite improved over its colonial-era predecessor, but it is, after all, a lineal descendant of that founding-era weapon, and it passes *Miller*'s standards." *Id.* In this regard, the court noted, just as the First Amendment protects "modern communications devices unknown to the founding generation," the Second Amendment likewise protects the "modern-day equivalents" of colonial-era weapons. *Id.* Thus, while the court's test would properly include weapons such as rifles

and handguns as protected "Arms" under the Amendment, a cannon, for example, would not be a protected "Arm" because it is not in common use by American citizens. *See* Pet. App. 50a-51a.

**2. The court of appeals correctly concluded that the District's statutes are unconstitutional.**

Having concluded that the District's restrictions implicated "Arms" protected under the Second Amendment, the court moved to the second part of its test and considered whether the District's statutes are "reasonable regulations." *Id.* at 51-52a. The court observed that, "[t]he protections of the Second Amendment are subject to the same sort of reasonable restrictions that have been recognized as limiting, for instance, the First Amendment." *Id.* at 51a. The court specifically analogized to "reasonable restrictions on the time, place, or manner of protected speech." *Id.* (quoting *Ward v. Rock Against Racism*, 491 U.S. 781, 791 (1989)), as the type of regulations that, in the Second Amendment context, could permissibly restrict the right to keep and bear arms. *Id.* Under the Court's First Amendment precedent, of course, this type of restriction must be "narrowly tailored to serve a significant governmental interest," and must "leave open ample alternative channels for communication of the information." *Ward*, 491 U.S., at 791 (internal quotation marks omitted).

Applying these principles, the court of appeals correctly recognized that the District's statutes, which effectively forbid citizens from possessing handguns or operable long guns in their homes, are not really "regulations" of the right to keep and bear arms. *See* Pet.

App. 53a. Rather, these statutes form a categorical “prohibition, of . . . “arms” which the people are entitled to bear.” *Id.* (quoting *State v. Kerner*, 107 S.E. 222, 225 (N.C. 1921)). Accordingly, the court appropriately concluded that because these statutes essentially deprive all the District’s citizens of their Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms, the statutes are not “reasonable regulations,” but rather facially unreasonable prohibitions. *See id.* But even if characterized as “regulations”—rather than outright prohibitions—the D.C. Code provisions are nonetheless unreasonable under *Ward*. The District justifies these statutes on the ground that they can be expected to “reduce crime, suicide, domestic violence, and accidental shootings.” Petitioners’ Br. 11. But although these asserted governmental interests are surely significant, its categorical ban on handguns—the most ubiquitous class of “arm” kept by citizens<sup>9</sup>—and on the possession of all operable long guns in the homes of anyone in the District, can hardly be described as a “narrowly tailored” statutory structure to serve those interests. Rather, these sweeping prohibitions leave no “ample alternatives” for the District’s citizens to exercise their rights under the Second Amendment. *Cf. Ward*, 491 U.S., at 791.<sup>10</sup>

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9. As the court of appeals observed, pistols are “the most preferred firearm in the nation to ‘keep’ and use for protection of one’s home and family.” Pet. App. 53-54a (citing Gary Kleck & Marc Gertz, *Armed Resistance to Crime: The Prevalence and Nature of Self-Defense with a Gun*, 86 J. CRIM. L. & CRIMINOLOGY 150, 182-83 (1995)).

10. Even if the trigger-lock provision of §7-2507.02 were not considered, amici States submit that the District’s categorical ban on all handguns in essentially all circumstances is facially unreasonable.

**B. The Court of Appeals's Decision Should Be Affirmed Because the District's Firearms Prohibitions Also Cannot Withstand Scrutiny Under the Standard of Review Recommended by the United States.**

The United States has advocated a standard of review that it believes is different from that applied by the court of appeals. U.S. Br. 23-24 & n.6. The United States therefore recommends that the Court should vacate and remand the case for further review under the United States's recommended "intermediate" level of review. *Id.* at 28, 32.

The United States's position cannot bear scrutiny. Regardless of what test is applied—the court of appeals's, the United States's, or some other—the District's categorical ban on all operable firearms cannot survive. Thus, a remand would serve no purpose.<sup>11</sup>

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11. In *Casey*, 505 U.S., at 878-79, the Court adopted a new test for determining the constitutionality of restrictions on abortion—the undue burden standard—but rather than remanding, the Court applied the new standard to the provisions at issue. Similarly, in *McCleskey v. Zant*, 499 U.S. 467, 502-03 (1991), the Court adopted the cause and prejudice standard for abuse of writ and affirmed the court of appeals's judgment under its newly-adopted standard.

As Justice Stevens has explained, "[a]ppellate courts in general and this Court in particular have, after correcting an erroneous interpretation of law, appl[ied] the proper legal standard to undisputed facts of record—whether or not such facts have been memorialized in formal findings by 'the original finder of fact.'" *Icicle Seafoods, Inc. v. Worthington*, 475 U.S. 709, 716 (1986) (Stevens, J. dissenting). Among other things, "[t]his practice . . . allows appellate courts to give guidance to trial courts by illustrating the proper



The United States begins with the proposition that the Second Amendment "allows for reasonable regulation of firearms, must be interpreted in light of context and history, and is subject to important exceptions, such as the rule that convicted felons may be denied firearms." U.S. Br. 8. The court of appeals's decision is consistent with these principles. *See supra* Part II.A.

The United States goes on, however, to set forth a different, "heightened" standard of review for regulations that "directly limit[] the private possession of 'Arms' in a way that has no grounding in Framing-era practice." U.S. Br. 8. The United States acknowledges that the District's statutes directly limit "Arms" protected by the Second Amendment and have no grounding in "Framing-era practice." *Id.* According to the United States, this type of regulation is therefore subject to an "intermediate level of review," under which "the 'rigorousness' of the inquiry depends on the degree of the burden on protected conduct." *Id.* Thus, under the United States's test, the greater the scope of the prohibition and its impact on private firearm possession, the more difficult it will be to defend under the Second Amendment. U.S. Br. 27.

The United States's standard is derived from First Amendment election-law decisions that likewise instruct that the greater the restriction, the more exacting the scrutiny must be. *See* U.S. Br. 24 & n.6 (citing *McIntyre v. Ohio Elections Comm'n*, 514 U.S. 334 (1995); *Timmons v. Twin Cities Area New Party*, 520 U.S. 351 (1997); and *Burdick v. Takushi*, 504 U.S. 428 (1992)). The United States gives no reason why these election cases should

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application of a new legal standard in a particular case." *Id.*

provide the appropriate Second Amendment standard of review, but, if they were extended to do so, the District's ordinances would not survive.

Indeed, under these cases, the District's sweeping prohibitions would likely be reviewed under strict scrutiny—a far more demanding standard than the “reasonableness” standard applied by the court of appeals. “Regulations imposing severe burdens on plaintiffs’ rights must be narrowly tailored and advance a compelling state interest.” *Timmons*, 520 U.S., at 358; *Burdick*, 504 U.S., at 433; *McIntyre*, 514 U.S., at 347.<sup>12</sup>

And, by any measure, the District's categorical ban on possessing any operable firearms in his home must be viewed as a “severe burden” on Mr. Heller's Second Amendment rights. Thus, strict scrutiny would apply, which the District ordinances would necessarily fail.

Even if the Court did not apply strict scrutiny, the District's statutes would also fail the (presumably alternative) less restrictive test set forth in the United States's brief. U.S. Br. 8. This test would evaluate the validity of the District's firearms prohibitions under the following standard: “(a) the practical impact of the challenged restriction on the plaintiff's ability to possess firearms for lawful purposes (which depends in turn on the nature and functional adequacy of available alternatives), and (b) the strength of the government's interest in

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12. In *McIntyre*—the case that the United States says best demonstrates the distinction between its proposed standard and that of the court of appeals, U.S. Br. 24 n.6—the Court applied strict scrutiny and struck down an Ohio electioneering law that prohibited the distribution of anonymous political documents. 514 U.S., at 344.

enforcement of the relevant restriction." *Id.* Even assuming the important governmental interests articulated by the District, its firearms prohibitions cannot meet part (a) of the United States's test—which strongly resembles the "ample alternative channels for communication" standard set forth in *Ward*, 491 U.S., at 791—because the District's prohibitions effectively leave its citizens with no alternatives regarding the possession of functional firearms in their homes for self-defense. Thus, even applying the test(s) suggested by the United States, the District's statutory scheme remains facially unconstitutional.

**C. The Unreasonableness of the District's Statutory Scheme Is Further Evidenced by the Fact That It Runs Counter to the Regulatory Approach of All Fifty States.**

To the extent the Court looks beyond the standard adopted by the court of appeals or those suggested by the United States, the unreasonable nature of the D.C. Code provisions is also evident when compared to the statutory approach of the fifty States.

The Legislatures of all fifty States are united in their rejection of bans on private handgun ownership. Every State in the Union permits private citizens to own handguns.<sup>13</sup> Forty-five States go further, allowing private citizens to carry concealed handguns for self-defense.<sup>14</sup> Thus, the District's sweeping firearm prohibitions are not only contrary to the Constitution, but also contrary to the

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reasoned judgment of every state legislature in the Nation.

Indeed, for that reason, this diverse coalition of 31 *amici* States is of one accord that—under any standard—the District of Columbia’s categorical ban cannot be sustained.

### III. NONE OF THE FEDERAL FIREARMS REGULATIONS DISCUSSED IN THE UNITED STATES’S BRIEF IS JEOPARDIZED BY THE COURT OF APPEALS’S DECISION.

The United States asserts that application of the court of appeals’s standard would jeopardize the validity of a variety of federal firearms regulations. *See* U.S. Br. 21-22, 25-27. This concern is misplaced.

The federal firearms regulations that the United States suggests may be vulnerable fall into four categories: (1) restrictions on the *type* of firearms that may be possessed, (2) restriction on *who* may possess firearms, (3) restrictions on *where* firearms may be possessed, and (4) economic restrictions on the import, export, and exchange of firearms. *See* U.S. Br. 21-22, 25-27.

In regard to the first category, the United States notes that federal law generally prohibits the possession of both machine guns and firearms that are undetectable by metal detectors and x-ray machines. U.S. Br. 2 (citing 18 U.S.C. §922(o) (machine guns), (p) (undetectable firearms)). But neither of these regulations is impliedly invalidated by the court of appeals’s decision.

A court would likely conclude that machine guns and undetectable firearms do not constitute “Arms” under the Second Amendment. Even if these weapons could be

described as bearing a reasonable relationship to the preservation or efficiency of a well regulated militia, they could not be accurately categorized as the kinds of weapons that are currently in "common use" by American citizens. See Pet. App. 49a. And even if these weapons were considered "Arms," the federal laws would likely survive under the reasonableness standard because the regulations target a particularly dangerous feature of specific firearms and do not inhibit the core functionality of the general class of firearms.

Second, the United States focuses on federal regulations addressing particular individuals who may not possess firearms. U.S. Br. 25-26. Specifically, federal law prohibits possession of firearms by, *inter alia*, convicted felons, fugitives from justice, illegal drug users, mentally ill persons, illegal aliens; and those who have been convicted of domestic violence. 18 U.S.C. §922(g). The United States's concerns are unfounded because, as the court of appeals recognized—consistent with centuries of common law—prohibiting firearm possession by people with particularly dangerous characteristics is presumptively reasonable and constitutionally valid. Pet. App. 52a; see also *Emerson*, 270 F.3d, at 264 (concluding that 18 U.S.C. §922(g)(8) is a reasonable regulation).

Third, the United States's fear of constitutional vulnerability concerning the federal restrictions on *where* a firearm may be possessed is equally unfounded. The federal laws cited by the United States that prohibit the private possession of firearms in certain places would not offend the Constitution under the standard articulated by the court of appeals. To the contrary, the court of appeals explicitly affirmed reasonable time, place, or manner

regulations of the right to keep and bear arms. Pet. App. 51-52a.

Finally, federal laws regulating the import, export, and transfer of firearms arise from Congress's power to "regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States," and have only an incidental effect on the Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms. As such, they would not be subject to heightened scrutiny.

Accordingly, there is no basis for the United States's concern that these laws may face invalidation under the court of appeals's decision. Indeed, it bears emphasis that *amici* States likewise have a strong interest in maintaining the many state laws prohibiting felons in possession, restricting machine guns and sawed-off shotguns, and the like. See Appendix.

But all 31 *amici* States agree that striking down the District of Columbia's categorical ban on *all* operative firearms would pose no threat to these reasonable regulations. Instead, this case is a threshold case: at issue is whether the Second Amendment has any modern meaning whatsoever. Remaining faithful to the Constitution, there should be only one answer.

#### CONCLUSION

The Court should affirm the judgment of the court of appeals.

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# APPENDIX



**CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS AND  
FIREARMS REGULATIONS BY STATES AND THE  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

| STATE       | REGISTRATION<br>/ CONCEALED-<br>CARRY<br>REGULATIONS | CONST. RIGHT<br>TO ARMS       |
|-------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Alabama     | ALA. CODE §§ 13A-<br>11-50 to -85                    | ALA. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 26   |
| Alaska      | ALASKA STAT. §§<br>18.65.700-.790                    | ALASKA CONST.<br>art. I, § 19 |
| Arizona     | ARIZ. REV. STAT.<br>§§ 13-3101 to -<br>3117          | ARIZ. CONST. art.<br>II, § 26 |
| Arkansas    | ARK. CODE ANN.<br>§§ 5-73-301 to -<br>320            | ARK. CONST. art.<br>II, § 5   |
| California  | CAL. PENAL CODE<br>§§ 12050-12054                    |                               |
| Colorado    | COLO. REV. STAT.<br>§§ 18-12-201 to -<br>216         | COLO. CONST. art.<br>II, § 13 |
| Connecticut | CONN. GEN. STAT.<br>§§ 29-27 to -36L                 | CONN. CONST. art.<br>I, § 15  |
| Delaware    | DEL. CODE ANN.<br>tit., 11 §§<br>1441-1459           | DEL. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 20   |

| STATE                   | REGISTRATION<br>/ CONCEALED-<br>CARRY<br>REGULATIONS | CONST. RIGHT<br>TO ARMS             |
|-------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| District of<br>Columbia | D.C. CODE ANN. §§<br>22-4503 to -4514                |                                     |
| Florida                 | FLA. STAT. ANN. §§<br>790.06-.331                    | FLA. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 8          |
| Georgia                 | GA. CODE ANN. §§<br>16-11-126 to -134                | GA. CONST. art. I,<br>§ I, ¶ VIII   |
| Hawaii                  | HAW. REV. STAT.<br>§§ 134-3 to -17                   | HAW. CONST. art.<br>I, § 1          |
| Idaho                   | IDAHO CODE § 18-<br>3302                             | IDAHO. CONST. art.<br>I, § 11       |
| Illinois                | 430 ILL. COMP.<br>STAT. 65/1 to /16                  | ILL. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 22         |
| Indiana                 | IND. CODE §§ 35-<br>47-2-1 to -24                    | IND. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 32         |
| Iowa                    | IA CODE §§<br>724.1-.30                              |                                     |
| Kansas                  | KAN. STAT. ANN.<br>§§ 75-7c01 to -7c26               | KAN. CONST., Bill<br>of Rights, § 4 |

| STATE       | REGISTRATION<br>/ CONCEALED-<br>CARRY<br>REGULATIONS | CONST. RIGHT<br>TO ARMS          |
|-------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Kentucky    | KY. REV. STAT.<br>ANN. §§<br>237.110-.142            | KY. CONST. § 1(7)                |
| Louisiana   | LA. REV. STAT.<br>ANN. § 40:1379.3                   | LA. CONST. art. I, §<br>11       |
| Maine       | ME. REV. STAT.<br>ANN. tit. 25, §§<br>2001-A to 2006 | ME. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 16       |
| Maryland    | MD. PUBLIC<br>SAFETY CODE ANN.<br>§ 5-301 to -314    |                                  |
| Mass.       | MASS. GEN. LAWS<br>ch. 140 §§ 129B,<br>131           | MASS. CONST. pt.<br>I, art. XVII |
| Michigan    | MICH. STAT. ANN.<br>§§ 28.421-.435                   | MICH. CONST. art.<br>I, § 6      |
| Minnesota   | MINN. STAT. ANN.<br>§ 624.714                        |                                  |
| Mississippi | MISS. CODE ANN. §<br>45-9-101                        | MISS. CONST. art.<br>III, § 12   |
| Missouri    | MO. REV. STAT. §§<br>571.070, 571.121                | MO. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 23       |

| STATE             | REGISTRATION<br>/ CONCEALED-<br>CARRY<br>REGULATIONS | CONST. RIGHT<br>TO ARMS             |
|-------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| Montana           | MONT. CODE ANN.<br>§ 45-8-321 to -330                | MONT. CONST. art.<br>II, § 12       |
| Nebraska          | NEB. REV. STAT. §§<br>69-2428 to -2447               | NEB.. CONST. art.<br>I, § 1         |
| Nevada            | NEV. REV. STAT.<br>202.3653-369                      | NEV.. CONST. art.<br>I, § 11, cl. 1 |
| New<br>Hampshire  | N.H. REV. STAT.<br>ANN. § 159:6                      | N.H.. CONST. pt. I,<br>art. 2-a     |
| New Jersey        | N.J. REV. STAT. §<br>2C:58-4                         |                                     |
| New Mexico        | N.M. STAT. ANN.<br>§§ 29-19-1 to -14                 | N.M. CONST. art.<br>2, § 6          |
| New York          | N.Y. PENAL LAW<br>§§ 400.00-.10                      |                                     |
| North<br>Carolina | N.C. GEN. STAT. §§<br>14-415.10 to .26               | N.C. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 30         |
| North<br>Dakota   | N.D. CENT. CODE<br>§§ 62.1-04-01 to -<br>05          | N.D.. CONST. art.<br>I, § 1         |
| Ohio              | OHIO REV. CODE<br>ANN. §§ 2923.125<br>to .1213       | OHIO CONST. art.<br>I, § 4          |

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| STATE             | REGISTRATION<br>/ CONCEALED<br>CARRY<br>REGULATIONS | CONST. RIGHT<br>TO ARMS       |
|-------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Oklahoma          | OKLA. STAT. ANN.<br>tit. 21, §§ 1290.1-<br>.26      | OKLA. CONST. art.<br>II, § 26 |
| Oregon            | OR. REV. STAT. §§<br>166.291 to .297                | OR. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 27    |
| Penn.             | PA. STAT. ANN. tit.<br>18, §§ 6106, 6109            | PA. CONST. art. I, §<br>21    |
| Rhode<br>Island   | R.I. GEN. LAWS §<br>11-47-8 to -15                  | R.I. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 22   |
| South<br>Carolina | S.C. CODE ANN. §§<br>23-31-205 to -240              | S.C. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 20   |
| South<br>Dakota   | S.D. CODIFIED<br>LAWS §§ 23-7-7 to -<br>8.10        | S.D. CONST. art.<br>VI, § 24  |
| Tennessee         | TENN. CODE ANN.<br>§§ 39-17-1351 to -<br>1360       | TENN. CONST. art.<br>I, § 26  |
| Texas             | TEX. GOV'T CODE<br>ANN. §§<br>411.171-.208          | TEX. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 23   |
| Utah              | UTAH CODE ANN.<br>§§ 53-5-701 to -<br>711           | UTAH. CONST. art.<br>I, § 6   |

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| STATE            | REGISTRATION<br>/ CONCEALED-<br>CARRY<br>REGULATIONS | CONST. RIGHT<br>TO ARMS         |
|------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| Vermont          | Vt. STAT. ANN. tit.<br>13, § 4003                    | Vt. CONST. ch. I,<br>art 16     |
| Virginia         | VA. CODE ANN. §<br>18.2-308                          | VA. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 13      |
| Washington       | WASH. REV. CODE<br>§ 9.41.070                        | WASH. CONST. art.<br>I, § 24    |
| West<br>Virginia | W. VA. CODE § 61-<br>7-4 to -6a                      | W. VA. CONST. art.<br>III, § 22 |
| Wisconsin        | WIS. STAT. §§<br>941.23, 941.29                      | WIS. CONST. art. I,<br>§ 25     |
| Wyoming          | WYO. STAT. ANN.<br>§§ 6-8-104                        | WYO. CONST. art.<br>I, § 24     |

**ADDITIONAL STATE STATUTES CONCERNING  
FIREARMS**

| STATE      | POSSESSION<br>OF<br>FIREARMS<br>BY FELONS | MACHINE<br>GUNS /<br>SAWED-OFF<br>SHOTGUNS  |
|------------|---|---|
| Alabama    | ALA. CODE § 13<br>A-11-72                 | ALA. CODE §<br>13A-11-63(a)<br>(sawed-off<br>shotguns and<br>rifles)                                  |
| Alaska     | ALASKA STAT. §<br>11.61.200               |   |
| Arizona    | ARIZ. REV.<br>STAT. § 13-904              | ARIZ. REV. STAT. §<br>13-3101(A)(7)<br>(machine guns<br>and short-barreled<br>shotguns and<br>rifles) |
| Arkansas   | ARK. CODE<br>ANN. §<br>5-73-103           |   |
| California | CAL. PENAL<br>CODE § 12021                | CAL. PENAL CODE<br>§§ 12001.5 (short-<br>barreled rifles and<br>shotguns); 12220<br>(machine guns)    |

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| STATE                   | POSSESSION<br>OF<br>FIREARMS<br>BY FELONS | MACHINE<br>GUNS /<br>SAWED-OFF<br>SHOTGUNS   |
|-------------------------|---|--|
| Colorado                | COLO. REV.<br>STAT. §<br>18-12-108        | COLO. REV. STAT. §<br>18-12-102<br>(machine guns<br>and short<br>shotguns and<br>rifles)                     |
| Connecticut             | CONN. GEN.<br>STAT. §<br>53a-217          | CONN. GEN. STAT.<br>§§ 53-202(b), (c)<br>(assault weapons);<br>53a-211 (sawed-off<br>shotguns and<br>rifles) |
| Delaware                | DEL. CODE<br>ANN. tit. 11, §<br>1448      | DEL. CODE ANN.<br>tit. 11, § 1444<br>(sawed-off<br>shotguns and<br>machine guns)                             |
| District of<br>Columbia | D.C. CODE §<br>22-4503                    | D.C. CODE §<br>7-2502.02<br>(machine guns<br>and sawed-off<br>shotguns and<br>rifles)                        |



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| STATE    | POSSESSION<br>OF<br>FIREARMS<br>BY FELONS | MACHINE<br>GUNS/<br>SAWED-OFF<br>SHOTGUNS   |
|----------|---|---|
| Florida  | FLA. STAT. §<br>790.23                    | FLA. STAT. §<br>790.221 (machine<br>guns and short-<br>barreled shotguns<br>and rifles)                           |
| Georgia  | GA. CODE ANN.<br>§ 16-11-131              | GA. CODE ANN. §<br>16-11-122<br>(machine guns<br>and short-barreled<br>shotguns and<br>rifles)                    |
| Hawaii   | HAW. REV.<br>STAT. § 134-7                | HAW. REV. STAT. §<br>134-8 ("assault<br>pistols," machine<br>guns, and short-<br>barreled rifles and<br>shotguns) |
| Idaho    | IDAHO CODE<br>ANN. § 18-310               |   |
| Illinois | 720 ILL. COMP.<br>STAT. 5/24-1.1          | 720 ILL. COMP.<br>STAT. 5/24-1<br>(machine guns<br>and short-barreled<br>shotguns and<br>rifles)                  |

| STATE     | POSSESSION<br>OF<br>FIREARMS<br>BY FELONS | MACHINE<br>GUNS /<br>SAWED-OFF<br>SHOTGUNS  |
|-----------|---|---|
| Indiana   | IND. CODE ANN.<br>§§ 35-47-4-5, -6        | IND. CODE ANN. §§<br>35-47-5-4.1<br>(sawed-off<br>shotguns); -8<br>(machine guns)         |
| Iowa      | IOWA CODE §<br>724.26                     | IOWA CODE §§<br>724.1, .2 (machine<br>guns and short-<br>barreled shotguns<br>and rifles) |
| Kansas    | KAN. STAT.<br>ANN. § 21-4204              | KAN. STAT. ANN. §<br>21-4201 (machine<br>guns and short-<br>barreled shotguns)            |
| Kentucky  | KY. REV. STAT.<br>§ 527.040               |   |
| Louisiana | LA. REV. STAT.<br>§ 14:95.1               | LA. REV. STAT. §<br>40:1752 (machine<br>guns)   |
| Maine     | ME. REV. STAT.<br>ANN. tit. 15, §<br>393  | ME. REV. STAT.<br>ANN. tit. 17-A, §<br>1051 (machine<br>guns)                             |

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| STATE         | POSSESSION<br>OF<br>FIREARMS<br>BY FELONS    | MACHINE<br>GUNS /<br>SAWED-OFF<br>SHOTGUNS   |
|---------------|--|--|
| Maryland      | MD. CODE ANN.<br>CRIM. LAW §<br>5-622        | MD. CODE ANN.<br>CRIM. LAW §§<br>4-303 ("assault<br>pistols,"); 4-405<br>(on machine<br>guns); MD. CODE<br>ANN. PUB. SAFETY<br>§ 5-203 (short-<br>barreled shotguns<br>and rifles) |
| Massachusetts | MASS. GEN.<br>LAWS ch. 140,<br>§§ 129B, 129C | MASS. GEN. LAWS<br>ch. 140, § 131M<br>(assault weapons)  |
| Michigan      | MICH. COMP.<br>LAWS §<br>750.224f            | MICH. COMP. LAWS<br>§§ 750.224<br>(machine guns);<br>750.224b (short-<br>barreled shotguns<br>and rifles)  |
| Minnesota     | MINN. STAT. §<br>609.165                     | MINN. STAT. §<br>609.67 (machine<br>guns and short-<br>barreled shotguns)  |
| Mississippi   | MISS. CODE<br>ANN. § 97-37-5                 |  |

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| STATE            | POSSESSION<br>OF<br>FIREARMS<br>BY FELONS | MACHINE<br>GUNS /<br>SAWED-OFF<br>SHOTGUNS   |
|------------------|---|--|
| Missouri         | MO. REV. STAT.<br>§ 571.070               | MO. REV. STAT. §<br>571.020 (machine<br>guns and short-<br>barreled shotguns<br>and rifles)                  |
| Montana          | MONT. CODE<br>ANN. §<br>45-8-313          | MONT. CODE ANN.<br>§ 45-8-340 (sawed-<br>off shotguns)   |
| Nebraska         | NEB. REV.<br>STAT. §<br>28-1206           | NEB. REV. STAT. §<br>28-1203 (machine<br>guns and short-<br>barreled shotguns<br>and rifles)                 |
| Nevada           | NEV. REV.<br>STAT. ANN. §<br>202.360      | NEV. REV. STAT.<br>ANN. §§ 202.350<br>(machine guns);<br>202.275 (short-<br>barreled rifles and<br>shotguns) |
| New<br>Hampshire | N.H. REV.<br>STAT. ANN. §<br>159:3        |  |

| STATE          | POSSESSION<br>OF<br>FIREARMS<br>BY FELONS | MACHINE<br>GUNS/<br>SAWED-OFF<br>SHOTGUNS   |
|----------------|---|---|
| New Jersey     | N.J. STAT. ANN.<br>§ 2C:39-7              | N.J. STAT. ANN. §§<br>2C:39-1 (weapons<br>over 60 caliber<br>except shotguns);<br>2C:39-3 (sawed-off<br>shotguns) |
| New Mexico     | N.M. STAT.<br>ANN. § 30-7-16              |   |
| New York       | N.Y. PENAL<br>LAW § 265.01                | N.Y. PENAL LAW §<br>265.02 (machine<br>guns, "assault<br>weapons")  |
| North Carolina | N.C. GEN.<br>STAT. §<br>14-415.1          | N.C. GEN. STAT. §<br>14-409 (machine<br>guns)   |
| North Dakota   | N.D. CENT.<br>CODE §<br>62.1-02-01        | N.D. CENT. CODE §<br>62.1-05-01<br>(machine guns)   |
| Ohio           | OHIO REV.<br>CODE ANN. §<br>2923.13       | OHIO REV. CODE<br>ANN. §§ 2923.11,<br>.17 (machine guns<br>and sawed-off<br>firearms)                             |

| STATE          | POSSESSION<br>OF<br>FIREARMS<br>BY FELONS | MACHINE<br>GUNS/<br>SAWED-OFF<br>SHOTGUNS   |
|----------------|---|---|
| Oklahoma       | OKLA. STAT. tit.<br>21, § 1283            |   |
| Oregon         | OR. REV. STAT.<br>§ 166.270               | OR. REV. STAT. §<br>166.272 (machine<br>guns and short-<br>barreled shotguns<br>and rifles)     |
| Pennsylvania   | 18 PA. CONS.<br>STAT. § 6105              | 18 PA. CONS. STAT.<br>§ 908 (machine<br>guns and short-<br>barreled shotguns<br>and rifles)     |
| Rhode Island   | R.I. GEN. LAWS<br>§ 11-47-5               | R.I. GEN. LAWS §<br>11-47-8 (machine<br>guns and short-<br>barreled shotguns<br>and rifles)     |
| South Carolina | S.C. CODE ANN.<br>§ 16-23-30              | S.C. CODE ANN. §<br>23-31-330<br>(machine guns<br>and short-barreled<br>shotguns and<br>rifles) |

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| STATE        | POSSESSION<br>OF<br>FIREARMS<br>BY FELONS | MACHINE<br>GUNS /<br>SAWED-OFF<br>SHOTGUNS   |
|--------------|---|--|
| South Dakota | S.D. CODIFIED<br>LAWS §<br>22-14-15       | S.D. CODIFIED<br>LAWS § 22-14-6<br>(machine guns<br>and short-barreled<br>shotguns)                    |
| Tennessee    | TENN. CODE<br>ANN. §<br>39-17-1307        | TENN. CODE ANN.<br>§ 39-17-1302<br>(machine guns<br>and short-barreled<br>shotguns and<br>rifles)      |
| Texas        | TEX. PENAL<br>CODE ANN. §<br>46.04        | TEX. PENAL CODE<br>ANN. §§46.01, .05<br>(machine guns<br>and short-barreled<br>shotguns and<br>rifles) |
| Utah         | UTAH CODE<br>ANN. §<br>76-10-503          |  |
| Vermont      |   |  |
| Virginia     | VA. CODE ANN.<br>§ 18.2-308.2             | VA. CODE ANN. §<br>18.2-300 (sawed-<br>off shotguns and<br>rifles)                                     |

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| STATE         | POSSESSION<br>OF<br>FIREARMS<br>BY FELONS | MACHINE<br>GUNS /<br>SAWED-OFF<br>SHOTGUNS   |
|---------------|---|--|
| Washington    | WASH. REV.<br>CODE ANN. §<br>9.41.040     | WASH. REV. CODE<br>ANN. § 9.41.190<br>(machine guns<br>and short-barreled<br>shotguns and<br>rifles) |
| West Virginia | W. VA. CODE §<br>61-7-7                   | W. VA. CODE §<br>61-7-9 (machine<br>guns)  |
| Wisconsin     | WIS. STAT. §<br>941.29                    | WIS. STAT. §§<br>941.26 (machine<br>guns); 941.28<br>(short-barreled<br>shot guns and<br>rifles)     |
| Wyoming       | WYO. STAT.<br>ANN. § 6-8-102              |  |



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**From:** Bailey, Frank T (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=FTBAILEY]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 8:32 PM  
**To:** 'head@nshcorp.org'; Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Olson; Donny (LAA); Foster; Neal (LAA)  
**Subject:** Re: Alaska State Medical Board

Dr. Head,

I was informed that because you had served all or part of two terms, you could not be reappointed. Most recently, Senator Olson has informed me that this may not be the case.

We have sought an opinion from the Dept of Law and hope to have that shortly. We will be in touch as soon as I receive that.

Thanks for your service and rural perspective on the Medical Board.

Frank Bailey

Director, Boards and Commissions

Office of Governor Sarah Palin

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----- Original Message -----

**From:** Dr. David Head <head@nshcorp.org>  
**To:** Palin, Sarah H (GOV); Olson, Donny (LAA); Foster, Neal (LAA)  
**Cc:** Bailey, Frank T (GOV)  
**Sent:** Tue Feb 12 13:48:39 2008  
**Subject:** Alaska State Medical Board

Dear Governor Sarah Palin,

I apologize for contacting you directly, but thought this might be the best approach. My name is David Head; I am presently the Chair of the Alaska State Medical Board. My term expires March 1, 2008, and to date I have not been reappointed. I would like to ask that you consider reappointing me for an additional 4 year term. There are several reasons I

would like you to consider my name for reappointment:

-With the appointments that have been made to date, there is significant turnover of our longest serving members, leaving little experience on the new Board. This can have a very detrimental effect on monitoring of on going cases, and dealing with the physicians, physician assistants, and paramedics that are presently under monitoring and memorandum of agreements with the State and the Board of Medicine.

-We as a Board are also in the middle of instrumenting important changes in regulations as well as proposing statute changes in narcotic prescribing, physician assistant agreements, and paramedic practice parameters. It will be very difficult for an inexperienced Board to continue this process without past experienced members or leadership.

-Although I am a committed republican and conservative, I was initially appointed by Governor Tony Knowles, and then reappointed by Governor Frank Murkowski. This has allowed me to remain as non-political as possible, concentrating on serving and protecting the people of the State.

-I bring a very important perspective and experience to the Board. I have served as Chief of Staff of Norton Sound Health Corporation in Nome for the last 19 years. Norton Sound Health Corporation is one of the longest Native owned and operated health corporations in the State. This experience with Native Health Care and Bush Alaska health care has been invaluable on the Board, with a large number of the State's physicians and physician assistants working directly for Native Corporations. Many issues affecting patients in small villages, where the community health aides are directly supervised by these providers frequently come before the Board for consideration.

-I Chair the Medical Services Networking Committee, the organization that interfaces with all the Alaska Native Bush sites outside the Anchorage Bowl area and Alaska Native Health Center in Anchorage.

I have considered it an honor to serve on the Board, and would like your consideration for reappointment for an additional 4 years. In reviewing the appointments to date, I believe there is still one vacancy that has not been filled. I would ask for your consideration in allowing me to continue serving.

Sincerely,

David Head, M.D.

Chair, Alaska State Medical Board

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**From:** Rutherford, Marty K (DNR) {marty.rutherford@alaska.gov}  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 6:59 PM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Cc:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)  
**Subject:** Re: KWHL

Governor,

Well, as it turns out, my previous email to you is old news. Since I heard that Bruce and Kurtis were committed to doing tomorrow's Bob Lester KWHL show, Sharon Leighow and "the guys", in coordination with Bob Lester, decided an in-person discussion, opposite CP, would be better. So the plan is now, at 6:45am on Thursday, Kurtis and I will be on the KWHL show opposite Wendy King and, perhaps, Brian Wenzel from CP. Later Thursday all the same players will be on the Dan Fagen show. So, in the morning we will have a friendly emcee, and in the afternoon we will have an unfriendly emcee. Sorry for the misinformation with my earlier email, but the piece that is accurate is that we are being responsive to Bob Lester's request and he is pleased!.

Marty

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**To:** Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)  
**Cc:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR)  
**Sent:** Tue Feb 12 16:49:28 2008  
**Subject:** Re: KWHL

Thanks so much!

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)  
**To:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Cc:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR)  
**Sent:** Tue Feb 12 16:36:10 2008  
**Subject:** Re: KWHL

Governor,

In case you haven't been told, we have arranged for Bruce and Kurtis to call in to Bob Lester at KWHL tomorrow morning. Bruce and Kurtis are both traveling, but we've sorted out the logistics and all is confirmed. Thanks for putting this together.

Marty

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
To: Anders, Bruce F (DNR); Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR)  
Cc: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)  
Sent: Tue Feb 12 09:04:38 2008  
Subject: KWHL

Bruce/Kurt:

Please - Bob Lester at KWHL will forever be in your debt (so will I) if you'll join him on the air tomorrow morning - Wednesday, February 13. He and his listeners really want/need a bit more AGIA perspective that only you can provide. His # is 632-1987, or pls call the station 349-9691. They're big supporters of AGIA.

Thank you guys so much. You're doing amazing work. I love to feel this evolution in the public towards more understanding of our position - it's thanks to your outreach and education efforts that do work.

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**From:** Frye, Ivy J (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIE]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 5:56 PM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** Re: Request to meet this week - Wed., 02.13/Thurs. 02.14

I'm not sure who sandra is, but I've never assured anybody they could have an appt w the governor. I set up the mtg w lynne smith and mayor combs however last time he was in town. Please let me know what I can do to help-i'll call the mayor and let him know of the inappropriate phone call re: bill allen insisting to get in.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**To:** ExternalEmailgsp  
**Cc:** Frye, Ivy J (DOA)  
**Sent:** Tue Feb 12 17:45:24 2008  
**Subject:** Request to meet this week - Wed., 02.13/Thurs. 02.14

Governor -

We had a call today from Sandra Petterson with Bill Allen (City Manager-Palmer). Sandra stated that she was to ask for Ivy Frye as Ivy would guarantee this meeting request! Of course the front desk was amazed by this statement.

Bill Allen will be in JNU tomorrow, Wed., 02.13 and Thursday, 02.14.08. Mr. Allen is requesting to meet with the Governor in regards to: Performing Arts Center, Transcanada Base of Operations, and Mat-Maid Property. I informed Sandra that the Governor's schedule was fully booked for Wednesday and offered that Mr. Allen meet with your staff assistant(s). I was told that Mr. Allen wants the Governor only and that is the request put forth. Janice

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 5:22 PM  
**To:** Von Scheben; Leo (DOT)  
**Cc:** Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Dust control

Thank you

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Leo Von Scheben  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin  
**Sent:** Feb 12, 2008 5:22 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Dust control

I will get you response by noon tomorrow. Eagle City council met last night to discuss project and we have feedback from Native Village people coming. Northern Region putting response together. LEO

-----Original Message-----

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 4:59 PM  
**To:** Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)  
**Cc:** Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Dust control

Did we cancel the \$1.3 million village dust control project that was recently reported on in the press, based on a local community's objection to it?

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2008 5:18 PM  
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)  
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Dust control

Thank you.

-----Original Message-----

From: Randy Ruaro  
To: Governor Sarah Palin  
Sent: Feb 12, 2008 5:18 PM  
Subject: RE: Dust control

Governor:

The last I heard was DOT was set to take public testimony at a meeting in Eagle to gauge support (some local leaders were saying they wanted the project) but weather was preventing their plane from flying into the community.

If we do not hear from Leo tonight, I will check with him in the morning.

Randy

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2008 4:59 PM  
To: Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)  
Cc: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Subject: Dust control

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**From:** Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 5:04 PM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** Tonight

I'm picking K up at 6 tonight, she has HoopTime. I can take Willow and Marissa to Harborview and drop Piper off at Cap. Bldg. -it's all on my way.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 1:46 PM  
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Alaska Farmers & Stockgrowers Inc.

Did you know this Kris- and is this ok?

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Tue, 12 Feb 2008 13:40:32

**To:** "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

**Cc:** Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

**Subject:** FW: Alaska Farmers & Stockgrowers Inc.

FYI

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**From:** Nix, Raymond G (DNR)

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 12:19 PM

**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); 'kccole@mtaonline.net'

**Cc:** Otto, Christina L (LAW)

**Subject:** Alaska Farmers & Stockgrowers Inc.

I spoke with Karen Olson of the Alaska Farmers & Stockgrowers, Inc. this morning. She informed me that the mining contributors requested that no media/press releases be executed at this time. She explained that the money received was allocated as follows:

72% ( \$54,000) of the money received was equally distributed between the 4 dairy farmers (\$13,500 each) located in southcentral;

22% (\$16,500) would be paid to SDJV to make cheese; and

6% (\$4,500) would be used by the Alaska Farmers & Stockgrowers, Inc. for advertising, distribution and other administrative costs.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

thanks

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 1:45 PM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Sched

Friday march 7 if I'm in Anchorage - pls block out a couple hrs late afternoon so I can get errands done in town. Thanks

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**From:** Leschper, Beth (GOV) [beth.leschper@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 5:29 PM  
**To:** ExternalEmailgsp; Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Wednesday Bill Signing Remarks  
Governor:

A hard copy of this is with Janice.  
Russ, Sharon and Mindy have approved.

Beth

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**Compassionate Gifts Bill Signing**  
**Location:** Rep. Richard Foster's Office – Rm 410  
**February 13, 2008 @ 11:30 a.m.**  
**Governor Palin**

**Bill Sponsor:** Rep. John Coghill  
**Leg Aide** Sue Stancliff  
**Rep. Foster's Staff – COS** Larry Labolle & **Leg Aide** Paul Labolle  
**Sen. Lesil McGuire** (may be late – floor session at 11)  
**Rep. Mike Kelly**

**House Bill 317 “Compassionate Gifts”**

- When I signed HB 109 into law in July, it was gratifying to be part of a bipartisan effort with the Legislature, where the focus was on doing the right thing for the people of Alaska. That bill represented the expectation of Alaskans that our elected officials maintain the highest possible ethical standards.
- However those reforms were never intended to prevent selfless gifts that could save a life – such as the kidney that Sue Stancliff wants to donate to Rep. Richard Foster. I am pleased to sign HB 317 into law today. It will eliminate the cap on the value of compassionate gifts that a legislator or legislative employee may receive.
- Compassionate gifts will still be reported to the Alaska Public Offices Commission to protect the public's ability to know how elected officials are compensated.
- I thank the bill's sponsor, Rep. John Coghill, and Sen. Lesil McGuire for carrying the bill through the Senate. I would also like to thank all the members of the legislature for their expedient work in ushering this bill through the legislative process. 57 legislators signed on as

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co-sponsors of this bill – every legislator who was present in Juneau when the bill was being considered.

- I recently spoke with Rep. Foster. Other than wanting like heck to get back to work and back amongst his many friends in this building, his spirits were high and he is very optimistic about his future.
- I want to express my admiration for Sue Stancliff, an aide to Fairbanks Rep. Mike Kelly, who appears to be a match and is willing to donate a kidney to Rep. Foster. She is an inspiration and a true Alaskan hero.

**(sign bill)**

- And now I'm pleased to introduce Rep. Coghill and Sue Stancliff

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2008 1:27 PM  
To: yellowstonegop@gmail.com  
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2008 11:26 AM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Brad Anderson  
address: 224 Clark Billings MT 59101  
406-671-1336

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin,

I am writing to see if you would be consider coming to speak at our Lincoln-Reagan Day Dinner in Billings, Montana on the evening of March 29th. We are the largest city in Montana and in the heart of Republican country in this state, so this should be the largest gathering of Republicans in Montana this year.

We are in the middle of a tough race for governor against a Democratic incumbent, and our candidate, long-time state legislative leader Sen. Roy Brown, is from Billings. Having a prominent Republican governor come to speak would be a great way to help generate excitement for regaining the governorship here in Montana.

If there is any possibility that we might be able to make this work, please have your staff contact me by e-mail or phone to discuss details. We are in the middle of exploring different options for speakers, and would appreciate your consideration.

Brad



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Brad Anderson, Chairman, Yellowstone County GOP

<http://yellowstonegop.wordpress.com/>

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**From:** Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [joe.balash@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 1:14 PM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); 'krisandclark@yahoo.com'  
**Cc:** Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 1:10 PM  
**To:** Leschper; Beth (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** Fw: FNG and XOM

Did exxon announce this yet? Are we supposed to announce? If so, this is good news and we need a quote in there that says as much.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

**From:** "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Tue, 12 Feb 2008 08:20:11

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)" <patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>

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**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 12:55 PM  
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Kwhl

Thanks!

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**To:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Tue Feb 12 12:53:59 2008  
**Subject:** RE: Kwhl

Governor-

Both Bruce and Kurt are making an AGIA presentation to large gathering of industry groups in D.C. today. If I don't hear back from them by three - I will call them.

-----Original Message-----

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**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 12:44 PM  
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** Kwhl

Did the guys contact Bob to confirm tomorrow?

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2008 12:17 PM  
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)  
Subject: Re: KABATA

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 12 Feb 2008 11:23:17

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: KABATA

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----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)

Sent: Tue Feb 12 11:20:05 2008

Subject: Re: KABATA

Good luck heading out!

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From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 12 Feb 2008 10:30:46

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: KABATA

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----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW); Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)

Sent: Tue Feb 12 10:15:33 2008

Subject: Fw: KABATA

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 12:14 PM  
**To:** Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)  
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Email that you asked be forwarded

He may be wanting to speak to me confidentially, I couldn't tell by his comments, but  
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**From:** "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Tue, 12 Feb 2008 11:39:14

**To:** ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

**Subject:** RE: Email that you asked be forwarded

Governor:

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Thanks,

Randy

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Subject: RE: Email that you asked be forwarded

Governor:

I have left a message for Mr. Knott to contact me directly and discuss his issues. Kris Klein and I will try to address his concerns.

Randy

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Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2008 7:02 AM

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Cc: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)

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phone # 349-7228 or cell # 529-5996

vandh@gci.net

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**From:** Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 10:31 AM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
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**To:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV)  
**Cc:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** Budget

I'm really concerned about any surprises being requested by Admin in the supplemental. I keep hearing about items and increases that I've supposedly supported and brought forth to legislators. ANYTHING that will jump out as a surprise that I'm not in a position to defend, pls let me know about asap.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 9:51 AM  
**To:** Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)  
**Cc:** Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Gibson; Kurtis K (DNR); Anders; Bruce F (DNR); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV)  
**Subject:** Gasline request

I have not seen this letter nor heard of its content (from Mayor Williams), but if it's mentioned in the press then obviously it's out there and I'll need to see it in order to respond.

Who is responding to his request for this consideration?

Janice or Joe- if our office has received this letter may I get a copy? And I'll need info on who's responding. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Todd Palin <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>

**Date:** Tue, 12 Feb 2008 10:46:26

**To:** Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

**Subject:** Fwd: Holy Moly.....it is an article now.

Note: forwarded message attached.

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**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Kwhl

They can call in and/or get a couple of othe dynamic spokespersons for the cause to participate. (But who? Marty?) Kurt and Bruce are ideal for this audience.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**To:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Tue Feb 12 09:27:42 2008  
**Subject:** RE: Kwhl

I believe both are in D.C. I will track them down.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 9:24 AM  
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
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**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** Fw: KWHL

Fyi

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**To:** Anders, Bruce F (DNR); Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR)  
**Cc:** Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)  
**Sent:** Tue Feb 12 09:04:38 2008  
**Subject:** KWHL

Bruce/Kurt:

Please - Bob Lester at KWHL will forever be in your debt (so will I) if you'll join him on the air tomorrow morning - Wednesday, February 13. He and his listeners really want/need a bit more AGIA perspective that only you can provide. His # is 632-1987, or pls call the station 349-9691. They're big supporters of AGIA.

Thank you guys so much. You're doing amazing work. I love to feel this evolution in the public towards more understanding of our position - it's thanks to your outreach and education efforts that do work.



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**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Other

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**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 7:36 AM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Other

Web mail from: Mr. John Stark

address: 332 Pine Forest Road Atlanta GA 30342

404-531-0463

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I would like to recommend that you seriously consider running for Vice President of the United States to Senator John McCain. I mean this in all sincerity and with the deepest respect. Whether this is a possibility that is attractive to you, or whether you would want to pursue national politics is of course something I have no way of knowing. But speaking as a U.S. citizen who is far removed from Alaska, I have the deepest respect for you, your stand on important issues, and your dynamic and inspiring leadership. I think you would complement Senator McCain's candidacy in very significant ways.

We all agree that Senators Obama and Clinton are formidable opponents in this 2008 race for the presidency. Both individuals have striking appeal, they speak out for "change" and "renewal," and they have great appeal to young voters. If you were on the Republican ticket, Governor Palin, I think you too could arrest the attention of younger voters, but with much tougher and more compelling questions. And I think that, speaking as a woman, you could make a strong case that it is not solely the Democratic party and its values which pave the royal road to the first African-American and/or woman president. You can make the strong case for "individualism"; for the notion that a man or a woman rises to political prominence because of the content of his or her character, and the quality of his or her accomplishments in life--not simply because they hold liberal Democratic values.

Please--I urge you to take my request seriously! I know it is up to the presidential nominee to select his or her running mate, but I would do everything I can and pursue any

channel you can recommend, should this proposal have any appeal for you. I think you would do a great job--as you have for Alaska--and that's why I make this request. The Republican Party needs someone like you to stimulate interest and excitement in this very difficult and challenging presidential campaign!

Sincerely yours,

John F. Stark

jfstark@hotmail.com

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Randy

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**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Other

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**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 8:22 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Other

Web mail from: Mr. Daniel Fish  
address: 257 Creekside St Anchorage AK 99504

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

I would like to know if asked by the Republican Presidential nominee to run on his ticket would you accept? And, why or why not? As you are certainly aware, there is quite a push for you as VP, as it certainly should be.

Dan Fish  
Anchorage

fishfam@gci.net

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**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 1:49 PM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Olson; Donny (LAA); Foster; Neal (LAA)  
**Cc:** Bailey; Frank T (GOV)  
**Subject:** Alaska State Medical Board

Dear Governor Sarah Palin,

I apologize for contacting you directly, but thought this might be the best approach. My name is David Head; I am presently the Chair of the Alaska State Medical Board. My term expires March 1, 2008, and to date I have not been reappointed. I would like to ask that you consider reappointing me for an additional 4 year term. There are several reasons I would like you to consider my name for reappointment:

-With the appointments that have been made to date, there is significant turnover of our longest serving members, leaving little experience on the new Board. This can have a very detrimental effect on monitoring of on going cases, and dealing with the physicians, physician assistants, and paramedics that are presently under monitoring and memorandum of agreements with the State and the Board of Medicine.

-We as a Board are also in the middle of instrumenting important changes in regulations as well as proposing statute changes in narcotic prescribing, physician assistant agreements, and paramedic practice parameters. It will be very difficult for an inexperienced Board to continue this process without past experienced members or leadership.

-Although I am a committed republican and conservative, I was initially appointed by Governor Tony Knowles, and then reappointed by Governor Frank Murkowski. This has allowed me to remain as non-political as possible, concentrating on serving and protecting the people of the State.

-I bring a very important perspective and experience to the Board. I have served as Chief of Staff of Norton Sound Health Corporation in Nome for the last 19 years. Norton Sound Health Corporation is one of the longest Native owned and operated health corporations in the State. This experience with Native Health Care and Bush Alaska health care has been invaluable on the Board, with a large number of the State's physicians and physician assistants working directly for Native Corporations. Many issues affecting patients in small villages, where the community health aides are directly supervised by these providers frequently come before the Board for consideration.

-I Chair the Medical Services Networking Committee, the organization that interfaces with all the Alaska Native Bush sites outside the Anchorage Bowl area and Alaska Native Health Center in Anchorage.

I have considered it an honor to serve on the Board, and would like your consideration for reappointment for an additional 4 years. In reviewing the appointments to date, I believe there is still one vacancy that has not been filled. I would ask for your consideration in allowing me to continue serving.

Sincerely,  
David Head, M.D.  
Chair, Alaska State Medical Board

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 5:37 PM  
**To:** Sarah Palin  
**Subject:** FW: AK Commission on Aging Reception at the Residence Tomorrow

Governor – FYI for reception at the house tomorrow evening. Alaska Commission on Aging. Janice

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**From:** Kim, Anna C (GOV)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 4:49 PM  
**To:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**Cc:** Jackson, Karleen K (HSS)  
**Subject:** AK Commission on Aging Reception at the Residence Tomorrow

Heads up for the Gov –

During the reception at the residence tomorrow night with the Commission on Aging, the folks want the Gov's support for their existing program FACES=Family and Community Elder Supports \$1.5 million in operating and \$2 million in capital for home and community based grant services for older Alaskans. If not in her budget amendments, would she be willing to quietly behind the scenes lend support in their legislative efforts.

Anna

Anna Clark Kim  
Special Staff Assistant  
Office of the Governor

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 2:57 PM  
**To:** govpalin@alaska.gov  
**Subject:** Email - Birthday

-----Original Message-----

**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 4:37 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Other

Web mail from: Mr. dave stroh  
address: 9921 whitefish circle anchorage AK 99515  
907 344 5004

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

I just wanted to say Happy Birthday and wish you continued success in the days  
and years to follow.

Dave Stroh

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**From:** Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 12:09 PM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** Fairbanks railroad dispute

Governor:

There is a heavily disputed issue in Fairbanks regarding re-alignment of the track to Fort Wainwright. A group of citizens led by Bob Thomas called the "Rail Safety and Development Group" opposes the project and wants a different route for a realignment. The group angrily disputes virtually every fact with Railroad management and the Railroad Board.

The group is demanding a meeting with the Governor's office and feels that if the Governor agreed with their side, an order could be issued to the railroad and its Board to stop the Fort Wainwright project. I have spoken to the leader, Bob Thomas, and offered to meet with him and the group in a few weeks.

The whole dispute could be moot. The project only has \$12 million in federal funding available. This is enough to finish the environmental document, but not enough to start construction. If the ARMY and DOD do not appropriate more funding, (and no funding was made available in the most recent federal budget bill) construction will never occur.

I am giving some talking points and a "true" and "false" fact sheet put together by the Railroad to Janice in case you would like to read them.

(The Fairbanks newspaper may have a story or editorial on the issue in this weekend's paper).

Randy

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**From:** PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 3:29 PM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Bill signing at Richard Foster's office

You might know this already...but Rep. Richard Foster's son, Neil, was in my office with Andy Baker as they are co-chairs of AWIB (Alaska Workforce Investment Board). Neil said he plans to show up at your bill signing in his dad's office.

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 4:08 PM  
**To:** Sarah Palin  
**Subject:** FW: Guest list for dinner - ASMI - Tuesday, 02.12.08 - 7:00 p.m.

Governor - Please see guest list for dinner below. Also, Cora sent these comments.  
Thanks, Janice

Dinner tonight begins with cocktails @ 6:30 with seating and serving at 7. Everyone will sit at one table and we should be done by about nine. They have crayons, etc. for Piper if she wants to come and have seated her between the Governor and a board member who has five kids at home to make it fun for her. There shouldn't be many heavy issues. They will be presenting her with a framed copy of an ad featuring her and each board member will be speaking very briefly about what their company is working on. They will probably bring up the budget. The Governor has included GF for ASMI for the first time in many years. She put in one million last year, but the legislature cut it to 500k. We put in 750k this year, still waiting to see what the legislature does.

Gov. Sarah Palin

Piper Palin

Lieutenant Gov. Sean Parnell

Lieutenant Gov. Parnell's Chief of Staff Pullen

Cora Crome (ex-officio on ASMI board)

Joe Austerman (ex-officio ASMI board)

Rep. Bill Stoltze (ex-officio ASMI board, House)

Sen. Gary Stevens (ex-officio ASMI board, Senate)

Rita Stevens, spouse of Sen. Gary Stevens

Rep. John Harris

Bruce Wallace, vice-chair ASMI board, harvester seat, Ketchikan

Joe Bundrant, ASMI board, large processor seat (trident)

Barry Collier, ASMI board, large processor seat (Peter Pan)

Tom McLaughlin, ASMI board, large processor seat (seafood producers cooperative)

Jack Schultheis, ASMI board, small processor seat (kwik'pak, Yukon River, Emmonak)

Ray Riutta, executive director, ASMI)

(Absent are chair Mark Palmer and Kevin Adams)

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One



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**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 9:28 AM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** RE: Kwhl

I believe both are in D.C. I will track them down.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 9:24 AM  
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** Kwhl

I committed Kurt and Bruce to kwhl tomorrow morning. Pls make sure they contact Lester and commit. I emailed all and gave out Lester's contact #.

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**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 2:15 PM  
**To:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** RE: Kwhl

Governor-

I just talked with Bob Lester.

Bruce and Kurt are going to be on KWWL - in studio Thursday. Bob is also going to line up folks from Conoco to be there as well.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 12:55 PM  
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Kwhl

Thanks!

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**To:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Tue Feb 12 12:53:59 2008  
**Subject:** RE: Kwhl

Governor-

Both Bruce and Kurt are making an AGIA presentation to large gathering of industry groups in D.C. today. If I don't hear back from them by three - I will call them.

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2008 12:44 PM  
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
Subject: Kwhl

Did the guys contact Bob to confirm tomorrow?

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 11:33 AM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Cc:** Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Gary

Governor - We will take care of this issue and notify Gary directly. Thanks, Janice

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 11:32 AM  
**To:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**Cc:** Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Gary

J- Pls call him tell him I had no time yesterday to address his issue - doubt Mike(s) and I will have time today either to answer his email. Thanks

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**From:** Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MANIZICH]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 1:04 PM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Gary

I called him yesterday afternoon. Is there anything else I need to know?

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 11:32 AM  
**To:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**Cc:** Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Gary

J- Pls call him tell him I had no time yesterday to address his issue - doubt Mike(s) and I will have time today either to answer his email. Thanks

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**From:** Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KJREHFELD]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 10:49 AM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Cc:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Budget

Governor - I will bring over the supplemental requests when we meet at 3 PM - I don't think there is anything inconsistent with what we discussed in prep for the December budget release and we have tried to be consistent with treatment of items/increases in FY2009.

Basically, we have a \$257 million total fund supplemental request. \$205 million of that is General Fund - BIG pieces of the general fund are \$125 million for tax credits; \$18.5 million for senior benefits; \$13.5 million for the GGU bargaining unit agreements; \$17.1 million for DHSS (proshare disallowance); OPA/PD we discussed earlier today at \$3.1 million for both; Corrections \$4.7 million for overtime/inmate health care; Public Safety \$3.7 million for troopers/vehicle/fuel costs (we have over \$7.5 million for fuel costs in DOTPF, University, DPS)-

We have also added funding for Climate Change - for the work DEC is doing at the chair of the subcabinet to bring back recommendations to you - \$220.0 and DCCED - \$1.1 million - to work with the 4 imminently threatened communities on coastal erosion and the coordination of efforts among all state and federal agencies to address their needs -

Non-GF is the Ocean Rangers program \$2.8 million in the cruise ship fees collected per berth - total of the program is \$4 million - the department believes they can implement a program that meets the intent of the initiative without requesting an additional \$1 million in GF -

There are a lot of details, but I think these are the highlights - and, I certainly hope there are no surprises! Karen

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Karen J. Rehfeld, Director  
Office of Management & Budget  
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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 10:31 AM

To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)

Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: Budget

I'm really concerned about any surprises being requested by Admin in the supplemental. I keep hearing about items and increases that I've supposedly supported and brought forth to legislators. ANYTHING that will jump out as a surprise that I'm not in a position to defend, pls let me know about asap.

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**From:** Frye, Ivy J (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIE]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 8:30 AM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** thought this was a fair assessment

Steve's story I thought conveyed the right message—you'll hear what Conoco has to say, yet you're not going to change any rules for them or any others.

**Palin and gas line team meet with Conoco Phillips**  
**AGIA CONCERNS: Despite rebuff, energy giant pushes its ideas.**

By STEVE QUINN  
The Associated Press

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JUNEAU -- Gov. Sarah Palin has met with executives from Conoco Phillips to discuss a prospective natural gas pipeline -- one month after turning down the company's proposal. She stressed the state was not negotiating any long-range fiscal plans -- tax rates and length of the terms -- which the company has sought as part of a gas pipeline deal. The meeting took place Sunday afternoon in Anchorage and included members of her gas line team. It lasted about four hours, Palin said. Last month, Palin rejected Conoco Phillips' gas line proposal, but she has pledged to keep meeting with company officials. Palin said Sunday's meeting was simply to review concerns the company had with the state's Alaska Gasline Inducement Act, or AGIA. "It's to fulfill our commitment to not dismiss anybody's ideas and proposals on how to monetize Alaska's gas resources," Palin said. A Conoco Phillips spokeswoman said Monday the company would not immediately comment. The company submitted a proposal last November that was outside the guidelines established by AGIA. Rather, Conoco Phillips has asked the state to first deal with a fiscal framework needed to ensure commitments of shipping gas in a pipeline. Conoco Phillips is the state's largest producer of oil and shares in the leases for nearly 35 trillion cubic feet of natural gas reserves in the North Slope. Last month, independent pipeline company TransCanada emerged as the only application deemed compliant so far. The Calgary-based company proposes shipping gas from the North Slope 1,715 miles southeast into a Canadian pipeline system, ultimately sending it to the Midwest. A public comment period ends March 6. But Conoco Phillips has launched a public campaign to keep its position at the forefront. Next week U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens will be paying the Legislature a visit and is expected to discuss the gas line during his annual address. He and other members of the state's congressional delegation have long stressed the urgency of moving forward with the project. Palin said she understands the urgency. She cited a faded 1958 newspaper display ad calling for the need to produce North Slope gas, nearly 20 years before oil began flowing from the North Slope. "Yes, there needs to be expediency today to get our gas into hungry markets," Palin said on Monday. "But we are not going to be in a panic and change rules, and negotiate secretly or do anything that is outside the public's purview, to rush through a deal that isn't in Alaska's best interest."

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**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 1:00 PM  
**To:** 'Sarah Palin'  
**Subject:** skateboard park - Wasilla

Governor-

Michael Burns with Blambo Entertainment has been pursuing an interview with you for about a year now. He is filming a documentary about the Wasilla skateboard park that was constructed when you were mayor. He is a very nice guy - seems like a young guy. He mentioned he met you recently.

He wanted to interview you next time you are in Wasilla - I told him that is next to impossible with the session going on. He said he is willing to travel to Juneau. Are remotely interested in filming this?

Sharon Leighow  
Deputy Press Secretary  
Deputy Communications Director

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**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 8:46 AM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Cc:** Leschper; Beth (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Wesley Loy

Sure thing.

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 8:45 AM  
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**Cc:** Leschper, Beth (GOV)  
**Subject:** Wesley Loy

He's in town - I like him- if he wants to touch base pls invite him to my office so he knows we're accessible. He'd either want to talk fisheries or oil/gas, which is all good.

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 5:45 PM  
**To:** Sarah Palin  
**Cc:** Frye; Ivy J (DOA)  
**Subject:** Request to meet this week - Wed., 02.13/Thurs. 02.14

Governor -

We had a call today from Sandra Petterson with Bill Allen (City Manager-Palmer). Sandra stated that she was to ask for Ivy Frye as Ivy would guarantee this meeting request! Of course the front desk was amazed by this statement.

Bill Allen will be in JNU tomorrow, Wed., 02.13 and Thursday, 02.14.08. Mr. Allen is requesting to meet with the Governor in regards to: Performing Arts Center, Transcanada Base of Operations, and Mat-Maid Property. I informed Sandra that the Governor's schedule was fully booked for Wednesday and offered that Mr. Allen meet with your staff assistant(s). I was told that Mr. Allen wants the Governor only and that is the request put forth.  
Janice

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**From:** Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 6:44 AM

**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

**Subject:** KABATA

Dear Governor Palin,

Well, since my flight is now four or more hours delayed I am back in the office and I will hand deliver the KABATA hard copy report to your office with highlighted points. Talis

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**Byers, Gail Y (LAW)**

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**From:** Leschper, Beth (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MCLESCHPER]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 5:13 PM  
**To:** 'Sarah Palin'; 'govpalin@alaska.gov'  
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Stepovich; Melissa M (GOV)  
**Subject:** Go Red Remarks for Friday

Governor:

Here is a draft for your approval of the remarks for the Fairbanks Go Red Luncheon on Friday.  
I have a hard copy in the binder I'll give to Janice.

I've checked the data with the American Heart Association and with our HSS epidemiologist in Anchorage.

Beth Leschper  
Deputy Communications Director  
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So happy to be here – and to see so many of you wearing red!

Red is my favorite color! It's associated with energy, strength, power and determination – as well as passion and love, which you may have noticed when you received a Valentine yesterday!

For those of us here today, the color red symbolizes our commitment to educate every Alaskan about how to fight heart disease and the power of prevention.

Despite advances in medicine, heart disease remains the number one killer of women in America. One woman every minute – that's 1,400 American women who die from this disease every day.

In Alaska, 230 women die each year from heart disease – more than four women each week is too many.

Medical research provides hope that we can control heart disease and we are seeing new and better treatments every day. But our health is in our own hands. Prevention and education can save lives. And that's why we're here today.

Although many women believe that cancer is their greatest concern, heart disease kills more women in our country than all forms of cancer combined. In Alaska, women are 5 times more likely to die from heart disease than breast cancer.

What's most alarming is that most women don't know this – and for 64 percent of women patients, the first sign of heart disease is death.

As a mother, as a wife, as a woman, I want to do everything I can to educate other women about their risk for heart disease.

We must take personal responsibility in all areas of our lives – including health. Our greatest risk for heart disease is ignorance. Through education and prevention, we can make a lifesaving difference.

Thank you and God Bless You.

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 8:16 AM  
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Weekly News Bulletin: Feb. 12-18, 2008

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**From:** Waste Business Journal [mailto:info@wastebusinessjournal.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 12, 2008 8:05 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Weekly News Bulletin: Feb. 12-18, 2008

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Waste Business Journal Weekly News Bulletin: Feb. 12-18, 2008

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1. Wastewater Industry May Have to Spend Millions if EPA Applies MACT Standards
2. Lautenberg is working to Close Waste handling Exemption for Railroads
3. Waste Connections Posts Very Strong Fourth Quarter
4. Republic Services Forecasts Positive Gains for 2008
5. Ohio EPA Proposes Firebreak at Republic's Countywide Landfill
6. NC A.G. Defends State's More Stringent Landfill Regulations
7. Plaintiff Withdraws Lawsuit Objecting to Waste Industries Buyout
8. American Ecology Reports Record Revenue, Income and Volume
9. Half of GM Vehicles to Run on Ethanol by 2012
10. Smurfit-Stone Reaches Record 7 Million Tons Recycled
11. Stericycle Posts Fourth Quarter Impacted by Settlement Charge
12. Converted Organics Delivers First Organic Waste Recycling Unit
13. BFI Canada to Announce Fourth Quarter on Mar. 6
14. WCA Waste Corp. to Release Fourth Quarter Earnings on Mar. 4
15. EPA Calculator Puts Greenhouse Gas Savings in Everyday Terms

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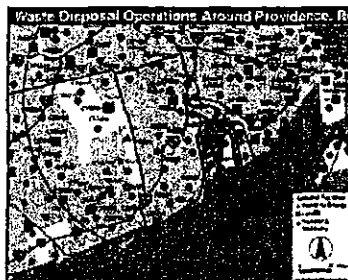
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### 1. **WASTEWATER INDUSTRY MAY HAVE TO SPEND MILLIONS IF EPA APPLIES MACT STANDARDS**

The wastewater treatment industry could face millions in additional compliance costs if the EPA, which is said to be revisiting Clean Air Act (CAA) regulations for biosolids incinerators, decides to apply the maximum achievable control technology (MACT) standard, under CAA section 129, to them. The EPA is moving in response to a court ruling last year which overturned less stringent air rules for industrial solid waste incinerators. However, the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA), which represents the wastewater sector, argues that biosolids burned in the incinerators pose significantly less risk than emissions from medical waste or industrial burners. Nearly 20 percent of wastewater treatment plants have a biosolids burner, and upgrading burners to meet a MACT standard could cost each plant millions to achieve. That would likely result in the closure of a number of plants which would necessitate the diversion of the biosolids otherwise burned to landfills...[Read More »](#)

### 2. **LAUTENBERG IS WORKING TO CLOSE WASTE HANDLING EXEMPTION FOR RAILROADS**

Sen. Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ) and others are working to close the waste handling exemption for railroads. The goal is a legislative fix to make permanent a provision in the fiscal year 2008 omnibus appropriations law that prohibits the processing and transfer of solid waste at rail facilities without meeting the strict environmental requirements that normally apply to all other waste sites. Companies owning and using rail transfer facilities have claimed that they are not subject to federal, state and local environmental requirements because they can apply for exemption under language in the 1995 Interstate Commerce Commission Termination Act (ICCTA)...[Read More »](#)

### 3. **WASTE CONNECTIONS POSTS VERY STRONG FOURTH QUARTER**

Waste Connections Inc. reported a 28% increase in net income driven by a 16.3% growth in revenue last year compared to 2006. The Folsom-based company also projected its revenue to grow 10% this year, to between \$1.05 billion and \$1.06 billion. For the year ended Dec. 31, net income grew to \$99.1 million, or \$1.42 per share, from \$77.4 million, or \$1.10 per share last year. Revenue rose to \$985.5 million in 2007, from \$824.4 million in 2006. According to CEO Ronald J. Mittelstaedt, "Internal growth exceeded our expectations, and operating results in the quarter were quite strong, despite the approximate 100 basis point (\$2.7 million) margin impact from higher than expected fuel prices and the labor disruption in El Paso."...[Read More »](#)

### 4. **REPUBLIC SERVICES FORECASTS POSITIVE GAINS FOR 2008**

Republic Services said it expects higher prices this year to capitalize on demand for residential and commercial collection services. The company

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may raise prices as much as 4% this year on higher demand for residential, commercial and industrial collection according to company CEO James O'Connor. This overshadows lower demand for construction debris removal, where he said that a decline in residential construction may cut sales volume by as much as 1.5%. The company has forecast earnings of between \$1.78 and \$1.82 for 2008...[Read More »](#)

#### 5. OHIO EPA PROPOSES FIREBREAK AT REPUBLIC'S COUNTYWIDE LANDFILL

Republic Services has been frustrated by delays from the Ohio EPA which has taken until now to decide that a firebreak should be employed at the company's Countywide Recycling & Disposal Facility. Construction is likely to result in the release of offensive odors which could have been minimized had to EPA approved the plan earlier so that construction could have begun during the early winter months. The EPA proposes that a 950 feet long, 70-foot-deep trench be dug resulting in the removal and reburial of some 385,000 cubic yards of waste. SCS Engineers, which is consulting on the project, says that it will take two to four months. It is postulated that problems at the landfill stem from an underground chemical reaction between aluminum wastes and landfill liquids, originally thought to be an underground fire...[Read More »](#)

#### 6. NC A.G. DEFENDS STATE'S MORE STRINGENT LANDFILL REGULATIONS

The North Carolina Attorney General's Office denies that a recent more stringent state landfill law is unconstitutional as declared in a lawsuit filed by Waste Industries, filed last December. At issue is \$13.5 million that the company has already spent on a landfill project in Camden County. Camden County signed a contract with Waste Industries subsidiary Black Bear Disposal in November 2002 to build a landfill that could accept as much as 10,000 tons of waste per day from other states. It would have been the largest landfill in the state. Waste Industries bought the 1,060-acre site for \$6.5 million in 2004...[Read More »](#)

#### 7. PLAINTIFF WITHDRAWS LAWSUIT OBJECTING TO WASTE INDUSTRIES BUYOUT

Waste Industries USA Inc. said that a plaintiff has filed a voluntarily dismissal, without prejudice, of a lawsuit against the company related to the proposed buyout of the firm. In a lawsuit filed on Dec. 19, the shareholder had alleged breach of fiduciary duties by Waste Industries and its five directors in their approval of the transaction and sought to stop the deal. Earlier that month, the company agreed to be acquired for about \$544 million, or \$38 a share by a private investor group led by Waste Industries founder and Chairman Lonnie C. Poole Jr., President and Chief Executive Jim W. Perry and financial partners Macquarie Infrastructure Partners and Goldman Sachs...[Read More »](#)

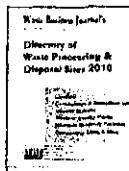
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**8. AMERICAN ECOLOGY REPORTS RECORD REVENUE, INCOME AND VOLUME**

Boise, Idaho-based radioactive and industrial waste company American Ecology posted robust fourth quarter results. Net income increased 28% to \$4.9 million, or \$0.27 per share, from \$3.8 million, or \$0.21 per share, in the year-ago quarter. Quarterly revenues rose 21% to \$45.9 million from \$37.9 million in the earlier quarter on a 21% increase in waste volumes delivered to the company's Nevada and Texas waste facilities which received a record 280,000 tons during the quarter. The company says that it expects to earn between \$1.17 and \$1.23 per share in 2008...[Read More »](#)

**9. HALF OF GM VEHICLES TO RUN ON ETHANOL BY 2012**

General Motors announced that half its U.S. vehicle volume will run on ethanol by 2012. The company has partnered with Warrenville, Ill.-based Coskata Inc. which is building its first ethanol plant slated to open in late 2010. That plant and another which will be announced soon are based on an engineering process developed by ICM Inc. which is currently employed in over half of all U.S. ethanol production. Coskata said it will be able to mass-produce ethanol at the plant for less than \$1 per gallon using a process that converts feedstock, biomass, agricultural waste or municipal solid waste to ethanol...[Read More »](#)

**10. SMURFIT-STONE REACHES RECORD 7 MILLION TONS RECYCLED**

Smurfit-Stone Container Corp. boasts that it broke a company record by collecting more than 7 million tons of recyclables in 2007. The Chicago-based company has traditionally been one of the largest paper recyclers, but has lately been expanding into the areas of glass, aluminum, plastic, steel and scrap metal recycling. "We are pursuing an aggressive growth strategy, with investments in technologically advanced sorting systems and plastics collection, and we expect to see continued performance improvement in 2008," said Michael R. Oswald, Smurfit-Stone senior vice president, recycling. "Our export business is solid, and we continue to grow domestically..."[Read More »](#)

**11. STERICYCLE POSTS FOURTH QUARTER IMPACTED BY SETTLEMENT CHARGE**

Medical waste management company Stericycle Inc. reported fourth quarter profits that were impacted by a hefty contract arbitration settlement in Australia. The company earned \$24.1 million, or \$0.27 per share, compared with a profit of \$29 million, or \$0.32 per share, during the same period a year ago. Excluding the charges, the company would have earned \$0.38 per share which would have beat analysts' expectations. Revenues rose strongly by 21% to \$251.6 million from \$208.7 million. For the year, revenue rose to \$932.8 million from \$789.6 million and the company earned \$118.4 million, or \$1.32 per share, compared with a profit of \$105.3 million, or \$1.16 per share, in 2006...[Read More »](#)

**12. CONVERTED ORGANICS DELIVERS FIRST ORGANIC WASTE RECYCLING UNIT**

Boston, MA-based Converted Organics Inc. says it has delivered its first fully automated organic waste recycling system to Folsom State Prison in California. The system converts biodegradable waste into an organic-based fertilizer, the company said. Folsom will use the system as part of a plan to reduce its waste diversion by 50%...[Read More »](#)

**13. BFI CANADA TO ANNOUNCE FOURTH QUARTER ON MAR. 6**

BFI Canada plans to release fourth quarter and year-end results at the close of market on Thursday, March 6, 2008 and will host a conference call the following day at 8:30 a.m. (ET) to discuss those results...[Read More »](#)

**14. WCA WASTE CORP. TO RELEASE FOURTH QUARTER EARNINGS ON MAR. 4**

WCA Waste Corp. plans to announce fourth quarter and year-end financial results at the close of the market on Tuesday March 4, 2008. The company will host a conference call the following day at 8:30 a.m. (ET)...[Read More »](#)

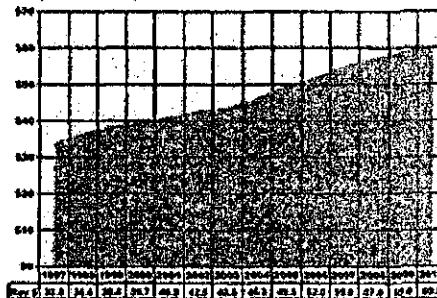
**15. EPA CALCULATOR PUTS GREENHOUSE GAS SAVINGS IN EVERYDAY TERMS**

The US EPA has produced a calculator on its website to help people translate greenhouse gas savings into everyday terms. For example, the calculator equates "metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents" with savings that would result from driving less, burning a particular amount of gasoline, powering a particular number of homes for a year, growing trees across a particular number of acres for a year, recycling so many tons of waste, etc...[Read More »](#)

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**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 1:31 PM  
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: SWAMC Annual Conference Wrap-Up

**From:** Michael Catsi [mailto:mcatsi@swamc.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 1:23 PM  
**To:** Palin, Sarah H (GOV)  
**Subject:** SWAMC Annual Conference Wrap-Up

**SWAMC: The Next 20 Years**

**Southwest Alaska Economic Summit &  
 Annual Membership Meeting Wrap-Up**  
 February 13, 2008

Dear Sarah,



The recent 2008 Economic Summit and Membership Meeting held on January 31 and February 1 was an excellent opportunity for SWAMC members and stakeholders to get together and celebrate 20 years of positive advocacy for the region. During the President's Reception we were able to honor the five individuals who played a prominent role in establishing SWAMC and setting the stage for the last twenty years. The four incorporators were Jerome Selby, Leon Braswell, Lamar Cotten, and Paul Fuhs, along with John Levy, the first Executive Director. Highlights of the reception included a champagne toast, birthday cake, and an unforgettable lounge rendition of "I left My Heart in Unalaska" by Frank Kelly.

The conference panels included marketing our communities and seafood, fisheries policy updates, enhancing entrepreneurial growth in the region, a funders forum, and our annual membership meeting where several resolutions and positions were adopted. Our lunchtime keynote speakers covered topics as diverse as marine debris, SWAMC's new solid waste program, and regional ports and harbor perspectives from the Army Corps of Engineers. A highlight of our banquet was the Candidates Forum for the race for the US House of Representatives with Diane Benson, Ethan Berkowitz, Gabrielle LeDoux, and Jake Metcalfe.



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It was a pleasure meeting many of you and putting faces to names. I hope you all took the opportunity to meet our staff who did an excellent job of putting the conference together and I commend them all for their efforts. Thank you very much for attending and I look forward to working with you all as we explore ways to positively grow our region.

Warm regards,

Michael Catsi  
Executive Director

For those of you who attended, we ask that you please take a few moments to fill out an online survey regarding the conference. It should only take about 5 minutes to complete. Many thanks!  
In addition, to check out presentations, panelists, adopted resolutions and more, please visit our Economic Summit Wrap-Up page on the SWAMC website.

Thanks for a great conference, and we hope to see you again next year...

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**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 10:12 PM  
**To:** Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)  
**Cc:** Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Colberg; Talis J (LAW)  
**Subject:** Re: TC

Thank you- and if they decide not to release then they'll be explaining that decision to Alaskans and our lawmakers. I won't be able to defend their decision because I won't be agreeing with it.

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**From:** "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Wed, 13 Feb 2008 22:10:47

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>

**Cc:** "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)" <patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>

**Subject:** Re: TC

We have kept Marty and the commissioners from direct communication with TC. I have already been in communication with them about this and they are working through how to do it. They intend to have a decision by Monday. I have plans to talk with them again Friday morning and can convey your sense of urgency.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

**To:** Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)

**Cc:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)

**Sent:** Wed Feb 13 22:05:46 2008

**Subject:** TC

Would you place a call to TC letting them know I encourage allowing lawmakers to see their '04 proposal?

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**From:** Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JRBALASH]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 10:11 PM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)  
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**From:** Frye, Ivy J (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRYE]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 7:34 PM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** Re: Kyle

I meant joe's comments-not kyle and bob talking to you

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Frye, Ivy J (DOA)  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com' <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wed Feb 13 18:51:55 2008  
**Subject:** Kyle

Kyle and bob both came up and apologized profusely for joe williams. I am not impressed!  
Man, had I seen that there would have been a scene. You are very gracious!

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 4:05 PM  
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Cc:** Leschper; Beth (GOV); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Kabata

I don't know the specifics of that - but we're concerned about any changes to kabata's RFP that would put the state at greater risk- wait to comment on it until I grab randy though.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Sharon Leighow  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin  
**Cc:** Beth Leschper  
**Cc:** Randy Ruaro  
**Sent:** Feb 13, 2008 3:26 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Kabata

Governor-

Kyle Hopkins is asking for the administration's view on the bills introduced (Ellis and Gara) calling for a 60 day public comment period. Shall I have Randy call him or would you like to address this?

-----Original Message-----

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 3:23 PM  
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**Cc:** Leschper, Beth (GOV); Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)  
**Subject:** Kabata

Issues are arising. If asked about them I will candidly tell reporters I have serious concerns about anything being approved that is not in the state's best interest... I'm happy to talk to reporters about the issues. Lawmakers are addressing kabata complaints this week too.  
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**To:** Colberg; Talis J (LAW)  
**Subject:** Fw: Kabata

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Date:** Thu, 14 Feb 2008 00:23:09

**To:** "Sharon Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

**Cc:** "Beth Leschper" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>, "Randy Ruaro" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>

**Subject:** Kabata

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**Subject:** Exxon, AGIA

Fyi- reporters asking today about pt thompson leases, my response: we're on the right track, as we confirmed the previous admin's decision to "prompt" development by challenging exxon's inactivity... We're pleased with our wins so far in the judiciary w/pt t., we're not going to try to strike a deal with exxon to change course with our lease challenge in the court - because we're right and there's no need to drop our challenge.

On AGIA and ANDGA, I responded that AGIA can get us a major gasline in a decade, in the meantime we have a good relationship with andga as they share their ideas on how to allow in-state use of gas within this decade. I said we're open to ideas on that second mission - filling hungry local markets with our gas even before the AGIA gasline is built. We won't stand in the way of this, as we didn't stand in the way of exxon working out a deal with FNG to get in state use of gas on line.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 11:21 AM  
**To:** Frye; Ivy J (DOA)  
**Subject:** Fw: [wnc] Gingrich Warns of GOP Catastrophe -- NewsMax

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**From:** Wayne Anthony Ross <waralaska@alaska.com>

**Date:** Wed, 13 Feb 2008 09:58:27

**To:** "Palin, Sarah" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

**Subject:** [wnc] Gingrich Warns of GOP Catastrophe -- NewsMax

CPAC speech (which we missed). My best, WAR

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Gingrich Warns of GOP Catastrophe

NewsMax Staff

Monday, 11 February 2008

In a rousing speech at the Conservative Political Action Conference on Sunday, former House Speaker Newt Gingrich called for a conservative "declaration of independence" from the Republican Party.

He also warned that Republicans face a "catastrophic" election this year unless the GOP changes course.

Gingrich pointed out that on Super Tuesday, 14.6 million voters took part in the Democratic races, compared to 8.3 million Republicans.

"There were 14.6 million Democrats who thought the presidential nomination was worth voting for, and there were 8.3 million Republicans on Super Tuesday," Gingrich said.

"That is a warning of a catastrophic election. I was in Idaho this last week, and Barack Obama on last Saturday had 16,000 people in Boise. The idea [of] the most liberal Democratic Senator getting 16,000 people in Boise was inconceivable.

"And every person who cares about the conservative movement and every person who cares about the Republican Party had better stop and say to themselves, 'There is something big happening in this country. We don't understand it. We're not responding to it. And we're currently not competitive. And if we want to get to be competitive, we had better change and we had better change now.'"

Gingrich stressed that he was not commenting on any of the current candidates for president.

Rather, he said, "this is a comment about the conservative movement, and it's a comment about the Republican Party, and all the candidates currently running fit within those two phrases. But it is about all of us. It is about our Congressman, our Senator, our governors, our county commissioners, our school board members.

"And let me make this very clear, I believe we have to change or expect defeat.

"And I believe that this is a time for the conservative movement to issue a declaration of independence...

"First of all, I think we need to get independent from a Washington fixation. There are 513,000 elected officials in the United States and the conservative movement should believe in a decentralized United States, where every elected official has real responsibility, and we should be developing a conservative action plan, at every level of this country, and not simply focused over and over again on arguments about the White House...

"I also think that we need to declare our independence from trying to protect and defend failed bureaucracies that magically become ours as soon as we are in charge of them. We appoint solid conservatives to a department and within three weeks they are defending and protecting the very department that they would have been attacking before they got appointed."

Gingrich drew considerable applause when he continued with his "independence" theme:

"There is one other declaration of independence we need and this will startle some of you. And remember I say this from a background of having been active in the Georgia Republican Party since 1960. In a fundamental way, the conservative movement has to declare itself independent from the Republican Party.

"Let me make very clear what I'm saying here. I am not saying there should be a third party - I think a third party is a dumb idea, will not get anywhere, and in the end will achieve nothing.

"I actually believe that any reasonable conservative will, in the end, find that they have an absolute requirement to support the Republican nominee for president this fall...



"As a citizen, I would rather have a President McCain that we fight with 20 percent of the time, than a President Clinton or a President Obama that we fight with 90 percent of the time."

But he warned: "If we run a traditional consultant-dominated tactical Republican campaign, like we've seen in the last eight years, we will be defeated this fall, and we will be having a CPAC meeting next year talking about how we rebuild for the future with either President Obama or President Clinton in charge."

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**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 11:15 AM  
**To:** Stepovich; Melissa M (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp  
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Go Red Remarks for Friday

Thank you for checking!

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Stepovich, Melissa M (GOV)  
**To:** Leschper, Beth (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); ExternalEmailgsp  
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
**Sent:** Wed Feb 13 10:32:47 2008  
**Subject:** RE: Go Red Remarks for Friday

I have just double checked with the Fairbanks organizers and you are definitely on the agenda for 2 minutes, short and sweet. We look forward to seeing you in Fairbanks.

Melissa

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Leschper, Beth (GOV)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 10:28 AM  
**To:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); ExternalEmailgsp  
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV); Stepovich, Melissa M (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Go Red Remarks for Friday

You are definitely only on the agenda for 2 minutes.

I have the entire agenda in the briefing book, including names of both KEYNOTE and one other speaker during the lunch, for your review.

We're completing the book now and should have to you shortly.

Beth

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Wednesday, February 13, 2008 10:25 AM

To: Leschper, Beth (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Stepovich, Melissa M (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Subject: Re: Go Red Remarks for Friday

Last year at this event I was asked to/expected to take up the whole hour. Are we SURE this is just a few minute event? I don't want to be caught off guard with an expectation of giving a Juneau update speech, or AGIA, or anything else unless I have time to prepare for such a thing.

And I just found out king air is down, so travel to Fairbanks is still up in the air in terms of timing, driving up, getting out of here, etc.

----- Original Message -----

From: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

To: ExternalEmailgsp; Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Stepovich, Melissa M (GOV)

Sent: Tue Feb 12 17:12:55 2008

Subject: Go Red Remarks for Friday

Governor:

Here is a draft for your approval of the remarks for the Fairbanks Go Red Luncheon on Friday.

I have a hard copy in the binder I'll give to Janice.

I've checked the data with the American Heart Association and with our HSS epidemiologist in Anchorage.

Beth Leschper

Deputy Communications Director

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 10:20 AM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Cc:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** PodCast

If it's pouring could we reschedule pod cast today? If it turns out to be anything like yesterday, I looked like a drowned rat the rest of the day after that outdoor photo shoot- and it was a long day with lots of events until very late evening... as today is too. Not a very pretty picture when I don't have time to go re-do anything after being in rain.

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 10:14 AM  
**To:** Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Lopez; Thomas M (GOV)  
**Subject:** Fw: King air

Sent this to the wrong "Tom", sorry.

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**To:** Wheeler, Gary R (GOV)  
**Cc:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR)  
**Sent:** Wed Feb 13 09:59:45 2008  
**Subject:** Fw: King air

Did parts not make it in?

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**To:** Lopez, Thomas M (GOV)  
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**Sent:** Wed Feb 13 09:21:32 2008  
**Subject:** Fw: King air

Could you confirm, also what time are commercial flts tomorrow if KA isn't a possibility?

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**To:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**Sent:** Wed Feb 13 08:24:40 2008  
**Subject:** King air

Pls have them confirm by today whether king air is ready for tomorrow. If not what's commercial flt time?

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 9:53 AM  
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV)  
**Cc:** Kelsey; Mark D (GOV); Von Scheben; Leo (DOT); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV)  
**Subject:** Frontiersman/juneau road

Sharon/Beth:

Pls correct frontiersman.com reference that states the juneau road will be built this summer. Don't know how they got that misinformation. It's a letter to editor from a Haines resident.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 9:31 AM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Cc:** Fagerstrom; Erika (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Books

Do u or erika have the books I'm bringing to gastineau this morning? And which school is gastineau - out by DZ? And hopefully they know I can not be late for 11:30 press event- if fact I need to be early for that to set up and go over with legislators.

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2008 9:22 AM  
**To:** Lopez; Thomas M (GOV)  
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Fw: King air

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**To:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**Sent:** Wed Feb 13 08:24:40 2008  
**Subject:** King air

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